Government 'buys' a new chief for **BSC** from America

Britain is to pay an American merchant bank a "transfer fee" of up to £1.825.000 to secure the release of Mr Ian MacGregor to be the new chairman of the British Steel Corporation in succession to "phenomenally energetic and Sir Charles Villiers. The Commons successful.".

heard the news with incredulity. Announcing the appointment Sir Keith Joseph. Secretary of State for Industry, said that Mr MacGregor, a Scottish-born businessman, was

£1.8m deal angers Commons

There was incredulity, scorn than anger in the Commons yesterday when the Government aonounced that it would be paying a "transfer fee" up to £1.825,000 to an American merchant bank to secure the release of Mr Ian MacGregor to be the new schrimter of the release of Mr Ian MecGregor
to be the new chairman of the
British Steel Corporation.
Mr MacGregor, who will be
58 in September, joins BSC
today and will succeed Sir
Charles Villiers, aged 67,
as chairman on July 1.
In vain did Sir Keith Joseph,
Servetting of Struction Ludgery,

Secretary of State for Industry, plead that this unprecedented arrangement was "totally justifiable" in securing someone be said was "the best man for the

For the Opposition, Mr. Michael Foot, the deputy party leader. called it "farcical bribery"; and besides Labour, MPs on the Conservative and Liberal benches were clearly dismoved, when they had stopped hooting with laughter, at what one Conservative back-bencher called the "Gilbert and Sullivan complexity" of the

There were strong indications last night that the terms had not been put to the full Cabinet. and that some members of the Cabinet were worried at the public reaction to the news. Sir Keith, when challenged to say whether the Cabinet had agreed the terms, would say only that it was a "government decision". Mrs Thatcher, sitting on the front bench, nodded her

Such was the initial shock and hilarity over Sir Keith's dogged delivery of the details, as if they were the most normal way of paying the "going rate", that Mr Barry Jooes, Labour MP for

By Peter Hill

Industrial Editor

firm, the government (not BSC) is to pay the fee in two elements. First Lazard will be paid £675,000 for the three years of Mr MacGregor's appointment; if he fails to serve the full three years, two thirds of that sum will be returnable, pro rata.

Second, Lazard will get, in a range from nil to £1,150,000, payments linked to BSC's performance under the new chairman.

chairman.
Air MacGregor will himself receive the £48,500 salary that goes with the job, plus any share of Lazard's profits which he would receive in the "limited" but no longer "active" partnership he would continue to hold in Lazard Freres.

ceive payment for a director-ship he holds in the American

metals firm Amax.

Greatest bilarity in the Commons was reserved for Sir Keith's explanation of how the reith's explanation of how the performance standards would be judged. They would be assessed by a committee consisting of two persons nominated by Lazard, two persons nominated by Sir Keith and an independent chairman agreeable to both?

The criteria for such per-formance standards, still to be defined would include not only financial carturn but strength of management, industrial relations, and export and produc-

tions, and export and produc-tivity success.

MPs clearly did not disagree with Sir Keith that in Mr Mac-Gregor a man of high calibre had been found. They did not challenge his statement that BSC's present enormous loss-making might be turned round into "profitability" and the nationalized corporation made an "efficient producer". and

Flint, East, intervened with a secure employer".

In serious moments, MPs exwell?", he asked of Sir Keith:

To secure Mr MacGregor's release from full partnership in Lazard Freres, the New York

An Petricient producer ... and secure employer ...

source of controversy

Jo Grimond, the former Liberal leader, asked of Mr MacGregor: "If he does badly are Lazard "If he does badly are Lazard Freres going to pay up?"

Clearly the terms needed to "compensate Lazard Freres for losing the business services of Mr MacGregor" (Sir Keith's phrase) stuck in the gorge of many MPs.

There was incomprehension that the Government had not anticipated the effect of it on its appeals for wase restraint:

its appeals for wage restraint; indeed, there was little sign that the Government had prepared itself for the mockery in the

reception.

Mr MacGregor, appointed by the Labour Government to be deputy chairman of BL, has, although Scottish born, spent most of his working life in the United States and was from 1966-77 chief executive of

MPs could not understand why someone would not take the BSC job to "serve his country" (as Mr Peter Emery put it), but Sir Keith explained that Mr MacGregor had commitments to Lazard Freres in which he was a senior partner. It was normal American practice to "buy out" top executives in this way, he said.

In answer to questions Sir Keith disclosed that among Keith disclosed that among about 40 names considered for the ESC post during his 10-month search, several, including "one or two active in British industry", had been canvassed apparently abead of Mr MacGregor.

Mr Foot, with Mr John Silkin, Labour spokesman on industry.

Labour spokesman on industry, pressed for a Commons debate on the appointment, Mr Foot calling Sir Keith's manner an insult to workers and manage-ment at BSC. However ministers last night indicated that the Government will refuse to

Parliamentary report, page 11 Villiers message, page 14 Leading article, page 15 Transfer conditions will be

Action Day not trade dispute, MPs told

By Hugh Noyes

Mrs Thatcher told the Commons yesterday that subject to confirmation by Sir Michael Havers QC, the Attorney General, trade unions would not have immunity from legal action in a court of law if they called out their mimbers on the TUC's Day of Action against the Government's policies. policies.

The Prime Minister was asked by Mr Ivor Stanbrook, Conservative MP for Bromley, Orpington, to warn the TUC that neither the law nor the Government would protect them by one penny from action in the courts by businesses who suffered damage when their workers were called out on May

Sir Michael Havers is in Barbados at a conterence of Commonwealth law officers and is not expected back before the middle of next week.

The Institute of Directors has asked Sir Michael to clarify the No part, teachers say: The Assistant Masters and Mis-tresses Association will take no part in the TUC's Day of Action, Miss Ann Gray, president, said-yesterday (Our Education Correspondent writes).

Of the five main reachers' unions, only the National Union of Teachers, which represents just over half all teachers, is planning to support the TUC, but only 18 of that union's 558 branches have said that they will stage half-day exiles. will stage half-day strikes. Normal television: Two of the main broacasting unious have decided not to recommend their members to stop work on May 14, Kenneth Gosling writes. They are the Association of Broadcasting and Allied Staffs and the Association of Cinematograph, Television and Allied Technicians.

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Deadlines pass without incident at Iranian Embassy as Briton is freed Police say gunmen's demands cannot be met

The demands made by the gunmen in the Iranian Embassy in London cannot be met in full Sir David McNee, the Commissioner of the Metropolitan Police, said last night as the siege, believed to involve 20 hostages, approached the end of its second day.

Although the gunmen have not stiffened demands which involve the release of 91 prisoners in Iran and a flight out of

ners in Iran and a flight out of Britain for the gunmen and their hostages, they have allowed two deadlines to pass without carrying out any of the threats they had made.

Christopher Cramer, a BBC producer, who needed medical attention. Last night the police Britons in the embassy.
One is Police Constable
Trevor Lock, of the diplomatic protection group, another is Mr Sim Harris a BBC sound recordist, and the third is thought to be Mr Ronald Morris, aged 47, a janutor at

the embassy.

Among the Iranian hostages one has been identified by relatives as a secretary, Mrs Kanji, who is three months pregnant, and another is a Lebanese journalist, Mustapha

Sir David McNee said in his statement: "The gummen in-side the Iranian Embassy must powers to meet all of their de-mands whatever our views on the rights and wrongs of their cause may be. I appeal to them to remain calm. Hasty action may cause even more suffering to their own people in Iran."

Sir David said he was especially conscious of the position of one of his own officers who in the course of his duty was unwittingly involved in a situa-tion which he cannot even help

"All my officers engaged in this incident are concerned to do what we always: my to do,



A policeman going down with a suspected broken ankle as he was trying to separate two demonstrators outside the Iranian Embassy Princes Gate, Knightsbridge, London, yesterday.

loss of life Sir David said: "We must show patience and persever-ance; that is what we propose to do". Sir David spoke after the

deadlines set at noon and then a pm were well passed.

As the first deadline approached Deputy Assistant Commissioner John Dellow, in charge of the police operation, said he was not sure the gunmen could carry out to the full their threat to kill the hostages and blow up the embassy. The

and blow up the embassy. The police know the gunnen have weapons but are not certain whether they also have explo-

midday passed. An embassy worker said last night police were denying the student demonstrators food and drink and toilet facilities. He said they were allowed to leave a fenced-off area but they

This was an effort to reduce He added that he had dis-tibuted a leaflet from Mr Mohammad Mehdi Sazegra, the most senior Iranian diplomat, not held in the embassy, calling on the students to remain calm and not get involved in con-

were not permitted to return.

Oueen's Gate, near by the b seiged embassy.

Later last night the police amounced that a message was being sent to Iran from the hostages inside the embassy.

Neither the contents nor the length of the message were revealed.

The mood of the gunden is said to remain calm.

Tehran warning: The Iranian Foreign Ministry warned Iranians sgalost any attempt to seize the British Embassy in Tehran, the State radio reported. A ministry spolesman said any attack on the British Embassy would only benefit revealed.

reapons but are not certain frontations with the police or Embassy would only benefit ives.

There was a strong police America (UPI reports).

Nonetheless, an Army bomb guard on the Iraqi Embassy in More siege reports, page 3

Print unions' threat on | Labour wins | No boycott by Riyadh May 14 legal move

Print union leaders last night predicted that no national newspapers would be published on May 14, whatever the out-Express Newspapers to ban them from taking part in the labour movement's Day of

Express Newspapers an-nounced its intention to seek a High Court injunction against four newspaper unions soon after Mrs Thatcher told the the law courts.

Evening Standard were yester.

day given leave by Mr. Justice
Mais at a private hearing to bring their action against four named unions and their leaders next Tuesday. The court will be The Daily Express and the

Keys, general secretary of the Society of Graphical and Allied Trades and chairman of the TUC.
Printing Industries Committee,
said: "2By issuing that writ,
Express Newspapers have yet
again reaffirmed their abiding enmity towards the trade unions, and despite the writ there is no question at al lthat the members in Fleet Street will protest against the actions

of the Government dividuals on May 14." Commons that the TUC's strike tary of the National Graphical protest does not qualify as a Association, said: "It seems to trade dispute and therefore me it is a futile gesture on their me it is a futile gesture on their gives no protectio nfor trade part, and one can only assume unionists from civil action in they are indulging in petty propagands. We shall defend the action, and are quite confident

next Tuesday. The court will be or another, whatever anybody asked for an order rescinding says. That is a fact, because I calls to workers in the industry am quite convinced that our to take part in the Day of members will follow the TUC

Worcester and Oxford

By Christopher Warman Local Government Correspondent

The earliest results in yester day's local elections showed that Labour seemed assured of the sweeping gains it had con-fidently predicted, with vic-tories at Worcester and Oxford. It is the first time the party has controlled Worcester. It needed to gain two seats to win

Labour also retained Stokeon-Trent, with exactly the same number of seats.

Early results included: Non-metropolitan

districts.

DERBY (Lab): C 6, Lab 8. New Council: Lab 26, C 18.

No change.
Stoke-on-Trent (Lah): Lab: 20, C

1. New cooncil: Lab 57, C 3.
No change.
ROSSENDALE (C): C 4, Lab 8.
Lab gain 6 from C; Lab gain 1 from L. New council: C 21, Lab

13, L 2.

on deals with Britain

time", Dr Solaim said.

Dr Solaim is not directly responsible for awarding contracts to foreign companies. But his department does pro-

panies abroad for commercial registration in Saudi Arabia. Applications from British firms, he said, were in the present atmosphere likely to be "kept ... until something is done".

What was needed to repair the damage, he continued, was firstly for political leaders of the two countries to make conthe two countries to make con-tact with a view to "mending the atmosphere".

"It's not a question of changing each other's ways of doing things. It's a matter of problem like this and prevent . it from bappening in the

Secondly, the British media should "appreciate the consequences of a film like this" and

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interest in the company. The terms and conditions which the American firm hasextracted from the Government in return for releasing him will

at the beginning of July. He will be relinquishing a

number of directorships-in-cluding that of deputy chair-

man of BL-but will retain others and his links with Lazard

The Prince of Wales arrived at a dinner last pight with an inch wide sticking plaster teaching from the base of his mose to his ear lobe, after falling from his pony during

He told the Electronic Eugineering Association: "I apologize to you for the state of my appearance. I feel rather guilty about it. I must say. I look as if I have just escaped from the Egyptian department of the British Museum."

What the Prince did not tell London's West End was that he had stitches in his face after the accident at Windsor earlier in the day. He was treated at the King Edwarrd VII Hospital The Prince said: "The doc-

not come here this evening. They were most adomant about it, but as I had sweated blood over this sneech I was damned if I was going to give it to my private secretary to read. This has become very much a personal matter".

Then the Prince launched into a strong call to the Government and public bodies to buy British.



MacGregor: lan " Phenomenally and successful." energetic

be a source of continuing controversy and are bound to gen-

Frere, the American investtroversy and are bound to generate unrest among other state industry chairmen.

Although he will receive the same salary, 548,500, as Sir Charles (who will be leaving three months earlier than planned), that is likely to be increased as a result of recommendations from the Top ment bank, in which he is a senior partner. His role there will be reduced to that of a limited partner with a reduced

Salaries Review Body, soon to be published..

In order to judge the offec-Jointly with Lazards, the De-

strength and succession. Mr MacGregor, who as chief executive officer of Amax, a major American metals and natural resources company, extensively diversified its

ceive at BSC. His appointment brings to an

but retused.

Defending his acquiescence in negotiation to the tough financial terms demanded by the American bankers at a press

tiveness and achievement levels attained, the Government has introduced another layer of bureaucracy into the manage-ment of the corporation. partment of Industry will de-cide on performance criteria for BSC, including management

tensively diversified its interests, has been receiving a salary estimated at three times the level of that he will re-

end nearly a year of searching and discussions have been taking place with Mr MacGregor for the past three months. He was asked five years ago to take over as chairman on the retirement of Sir Monty Finnis-ton, the former BSC chairman,

President Carter to go out campaigning

From Patrick Brogan,
Washington, May 1
President Carter has decided
to abandon his Rose Garden
strategy and leave the White
House to campaign for reelection. He has not made any campaign trips since the American
hostages were seized in Tehran
on November 4 on the acquired

Continued on page 19, col 1 stating the obvious, said today that President Carter's decision

to start campaigning was "a political judgment". He thinks Mr Carter is facing political disaster; and he said today that he believed the President's defeat in five of the seven most recent primaries and caucuses had led him to see the need to leave the White House.

an 18 per cent rate of inflation is manageable for the working people of this country. I'd like to debate whether 18 per cent interest rates are manageable for the people of this country."

no arrangements have yet been made for the President's travels. but there is a primary in Texas on Saturday, and primaries in the District of Columbia, Indiana, North Carolina and Tennessee next

hostages were soized in Tehran on November 4, on the grounds that his presence was required in the White House.

He announced his decision yesterday, saying: "None of the challenges are completely removed, but I believe they are manageable enough that I can leave the White House."

Senetor Edward Kennedy, stating the obvious, said today

"Mr Carter has now indi-cated that the crises are now manageable and therefore he is able to leave the White House," the senator said. "Well, I would like to debate whether

Tuesday.

Yesterday, Mr Carter told a group of civic leaders who visited him: "It has been a long time that I have stayed in the White House, under extra-ordinary circumstances. But times change, and a lot of the responsibilities that have been on my shoulders the past few months have now been alleviated to some degree."

Texas primary, page 9

Prince defies £7,500m plan doctors after polo fall to modernize

telephones The Post Office plans to spend £1,500m a year over the next five years in an unprecedented effort to improve quality of the telephone service. Mr Peter Benton, managing director of Post Office Telecommunications, said financing for the plan was being discussed with the Department of Industry and the Treasury, as external borrowing would be required. He envisaged a 50 per cent increase in the size of Britain's telephone network in the next_decade

North Sea licences

A further 90 blocks in the North Sea are to be licensed by the Department of Energy for the exploration and pro-duction of oil and gas. This will be the seventh round of licensing since 1964 and is 20 blocks larger than originally planned

Birth curb ban attack

The official Roman Catholic teaching

that artificial birth control is wrong is

no longer tenabe, The Clergy Review, one of the most influential Roman Catholic journals, says Page 2

EEC to sell surplus butter to Russia Tue EEC is to sell the Soviet Union 20,900 tonnes of heavily-subsidized

surplus butter, at a total cost to the Community taxpayers of more than 522m. The sale is certain to provoke Countryman change

Changes aimed at speeding up Opera-tion Countryman, the inquiry into London police corruption, include the appointment of Mr Peter Matthews, Chief Constable of Surrey, as its con-troller, with two senior Scotland Yard officers as his principal assistants

Chemical arms plea A report recommending that Nato's chemical weapon stocks should equal the estimated offensive capability of the Warsaw Pact countries as a deterrent has been prepared by a Conservative MP for the Western European Union

Print dispute goes on Most provincial newspapers are expected to be off the streets for another week after an employers' decision 10 continue suspension of National Graphical Association members. Page 2

Afghan troops kill 20 About 20 young people were reported killed in Kabul when Afghan troops and soldiers fired on protesting students. The disturbance apparently arose out of celebration of the second anniversary of the communists' initial takeover and led to one of the most serious demonstrations against Soviet

Swiss protest: A noisy demonstration by a group shouting "Queen go home" failed to mar the royal visit to Geneva 8

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staff are being inundated with requests for treatment with the drug interferon 2 Turkey ban: Imports of United States turkey were virtually ended by cutting the number of American factories licensed by the Ministry of Agriculture

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Business News, pages 19-25 Stock Markets: Another strong performance by oils drew attention to the rest of equities while the continuing fall in prime rates helped gilts. The FT Index rose 2.8 to 443.2

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From Edward Mortimer
Riyadh, May 1
No formal instructions to
koycott British firms have been
given to Saudi Arabian government departments, I was told today by Dr Soliman Solaim, the Minister of Commerce. Existing contracts will be bonoured and there has been no formal decisions that new contracts would not be signed.

But, he added, the commercial relationship between the two countries was bound to be affected by the political atmosphere affect the withdrawal of sphere after the withdrawal o the British Ambassador at the Saudi Government's request in protest against the television film Death of a Princess. "I don't think this atmosphere will be conducive to signing any contract for some period of

Mr James Craig, the Ambas-sador, returned to London last night, a week after he was asked to leave.

As Minister of Commerce,

make an effort to give a more balanced presentation of Saudi Arabia, They should "look into the positive aspects" of Saudi Arabia's rapid development as well as the negative.

Dr Solaim confirmed that a visit by Kipa Khalid to Britain in June had been postponed, as

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Changes in Operation Countryman control intended to speed up progress of the investigation

Important changes were announced yesterday in the control of Operation Countryman, the inquiry into police corrup-tion in London. The changes are intended to speed up the inquiry but they will be seen as a clear criticism of the invesas a ciear criticism of the inves-tigation's progress and they sug-gest a strong undercurrent of anxiety and police politics under the surface.

Mr Leonard Burt. Assistant Chief Constable of Dorset, who has led the operational side of the inquiry since its inception in 1978, will not return to the past when he finishes a period post when he finishes a period with his own force this summer. .

Instead Mr Peter Matthews, Chief Constable of Surrey, who was recently appointed adviser to the inquiry, will take overall control of operations and general policy. He will bring two senior officers from Scotland Yard to join the 80 provincial policemen in the inquiry.

Deputy Assistant Commissioner Ronald Steventon, a former head of Scotland Yard's Complaints . Investigation Bureau, has experience of the underworld in London. Det Chief Supt Christopher Dray-London, Det cott, now in the C1 Department City of London Police, said the at Scotland Yard, will handle changes had been made in view

Ey Clifford Longley
Religious Affairs Correspondent
The official Roman Catholic
teaching that artificial birth

control is wrong is no longe

tenable, according to a leading article in one of the most influential Roman Catholic

Any reaffirmation of that teaching would be a most

rresponsible act which would

have disastrous pastoral con-

of The Clergy Review and is signed by the editor, Father Michael Richards. The journal circulates mainly among Roman

Catholic priests, and has an editorial board headed by the Right Rev B. C. Butler, auxiliary Roman Catholic

auxiliary Roman Common hishop of Westminster and the "doyen" of English Roman

Catholic theologians.
Father Richards is known for

his sometimes controversial opinions, which are not necessarily endorsed by the

distinguished clergymen asso-

ciated with the journal, but on

the issue of contraception he points out that he has sup-

ported the official teaching on birth control.

"Some may remember that in 1968 I was involved in the

lefence of Humanae Vitae, which I found a much more

positive and creative document

ihan did many others", he

that the church's mind can

stand still over his issue, any

more than it has done for example, over ecumenism or

But he adds: "I do not think

sequences", the article says. It appears in the May edition of The Clergy Review and

liaison between the inquiry and of the length of time the in London forces. appointments The three appointments reflect the criticism the inquiry

has drawn within police circles. It has been said that the inquiry is taking too long and showing too few results, partly because the provincial men are not experienced in the ways of

It has also been said that the Countryman team has been too secretive and has not informed Scotland Yard when arrested people have appeared in London courts. In recent weeks there have

been several warnings that changes were to come when Mr Burt formally returned to his force today, where he is filling in for a senior officer on secondment to Hongkong. Countryman officers believed Mr Burt would return later in the summer to the operations

base at Godalming, Surrey. It is understood that they were not aware that changes were The short announcement issued by Sir David McNee, Commissioner of the Metropo-litan Police, and Mr Peter

Marshall, Commissioner of the City of London Police, said the

End birth control ban, priest says

say revolutionary".
Father Richards says that a

very high proportion of mar-ried Roman Catholics regard

the ban on contraception as unacceptable, and it has proved difficult, if not impossible, for the parish clergy to defend it.

Contraception may be dis-

tasteful and not something one would practise for its own sake,

any more than taking medicine

or undergoing surgery would be done for its own sake. "But

to declare it intrinsically evil

and therefore in no circum-stances morally justifiable, is to go beyond the evidence of

Scirpture, or philosophy, and

He also publishes in the May

edition a detailed criticism of

the way successive Pones have

maintained the official ban, which was last affirmed in

1968 by Pope Paul VI in the encyclical, Fumumas Vir-7.

a former London mirse and now

mother of five children, and

she argues that a fallacious

understanding of sexuality and reproduction undermines any

claim that papal teaching has been guided by the Holy Spirit.

Conference of the Anglican Communion approved of contra-

ception in 1930, and that de-

fenders of the official Roman

Catholic teaching thought it

unacceptable to say that the Holy Spirit bad guided the Anglican Communion to the

religious freedom, or church- truth of the matter rather than afraid of it for that reason.

Recalling that the Lambeth

It is by Mrs Elizabeth Price,

of experience?

areas recent developments argues that the Anglican clergy have been remarkable, not to are married and therefore have,

quiry has taken. It was felt that matters should be ex-pedited both to allay public anxiety and to prevent police morale being affected. It is not clear yet how Mr Matthews will alter the investigation but it is possible that he will reduce the size of the team and press for action as soon as possible.

Countryman was established to examine allegations against police officers after three big robberies involving two news-paper offices and a City bank. So far four officers and two civilians have been charged with various offences. Another four officers are suspended.

Against that there has been criticism that Countryman has not got to the root of the allegations One detective chief inspector who was suspended has been returned to duties and charges against another were dropped in court, although he is

still suspended.

In recent months some of the criticism has become public, criticism has become public, with a former adviser to the inquiry defending the team's record and then being attacked by senior police officers and politicians for bringing the

are married and therefore have, in Roman Catholic terms, access

to the grace of matrimony that is not available to the Roman

as a good thing in itself was still implicit in the attitudes of several recent Popes, but was

completely contradicted by the

The publication of those two

articles in The Clergy Review is intended. Father Richards says, to aid debate in the

Roman Catholic Church in pre-paration for the synod of

bishops in Rome in the autumn.

It also happens to coincide with the opening in Liverpool today of the National Pastoral

Congress of the English and

Welsh Roman Catholic Church,

and Father Richards quotes from some of the congress pre-liminary documents in support

of his claim that the official

teaching has proved unaccept-able to the church at large.

The mood of the Roman Catholic Church was very pro-foundly changed by Hummae

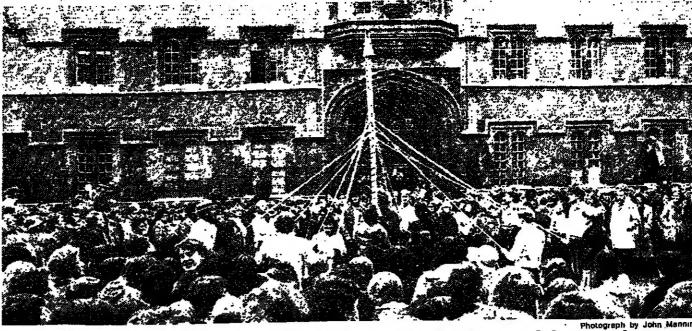
Vitae in 1968, It has been authoritatively

suggested that this English con-gress could prove the beginning

movement to have the ban on contraception lifted, and there

officials in the Vatican, possibly even the Pope himself, are

Second Varican Council.



Oxford undergraduates celebrate May Day in the traditional way around the maypole.

£80 minimum is sticking point in industry seeing flight of work abroad

By Paul Routledge

Labour Editor
The unpredictable disappearance of some national wise might have been tucked away in the labour news grave-

clergy.

Mrs Price quotes papal teaching for the past 50 years to show how the rejection of ing disruption by the union for five weeks before the employers implemented their draconian threat of a full lockout. The union is refusing to compromise on its claim for an £80 mini-

> Four days ago the employers' solidarity has come under serious strain. The union insists that less than a quarter of its federation members have been locked out, a figure that the employers have been a strain the employers are strained to the serious strains and the serious strains and the serious strains ago the employers. ployers dispute without much

sent for trial

an eve.

field the employers have been other two unions, the Society more united. Initially only 23 of Graphical and Allied Trades 260 companies declined to susand the National Society of 260 companies declined to sus- and the National Society of pend their union craftsmen, but Operative Printers, Graphical the significant defection yester-day of the Birmingham Post and Mail group weakens their ranks.

When the employers met yesterday to assess their next move there seemed little room move there seemen fittee toom for manoeuvre. The union clearly senses a gradual capitulation by the general printing companies, which are caught between loyalty to the federation's militant line and competition from those companies still tion from those companies still

Printing union leaders went into the dispute declaring: " It is a fight we are going to win. After the dispute at Times Newspapers last year the union never been more selfconfident. It is paying £20 a week benefit to every suspended member, which is partly offset by a £6.20 levy on those

Two issues stand in the way of an early settlement: pay and the union's role as a labour ex-change for the industry. The union chose 1980 as the year to go for its low pay areas and was met by equally strong determination by the employers to wrest substantial productivity concessions in return for wage

and Media Personnel, provides for minimum earnings of £75 and phasing in of the 371 hour To concede the claim in full week over two years. It also includes clauses on flexibility the union is demanding, would

boarding, press telegraphy, proofing reading make-up and platemaking. In the press room flexibility and interchange-ability between letterpress. ability between letterpress, litho flexographic and gravure machines is proposed. The employers want an enabling agreement on those issues that could be translated

into local deals "necessary to achieve increased output They also seek talks on 'efficient manning levels" and joint review of entry into the industry, with a reduction of the apprenticeship period from four years to three from August 1. 1981, if agreement cannot be

of labour between all pre-press operations, eg composing, key-

A further sticking point is the insistence that for the life-time of the agreement em-ployers will be able to recruit directly from outside the in-dustry rather than from the of the National Graphical Association, if a vacancy is not filled for more than a month. Critical though the failure to

tify as the main bar to a serule ment. The offer adds about £140m to the wages bill of an industry that is already suffering from a flight of work

cost an estimated £60m more, and the employers are still smarting from the recent ment by the managing director of Secker and Warburg, the book publishers: "Your productivity is lamentable com-pared with that of Americans and most European printing "Your wages are too high

and since you calmly hit us with a 20 per cent increase like clock-work each year, it can only be because you feebly capitulate 01 the demands of workers, regardless of the fact that they are not producing anything like 20 per cent more books."

A recent Printing Industries Sector Working Party report said, however: "Profits and wages in the United Kingdom were not high in comparison with those earned by competitors in many deevloped countries", and Mr Wade argues:
"If the industry cannoc afford
an £80 a week minimum earnings level, then quite clearly these is something wrong with agree in this area, is, it is the the industry."

Strike call over BBC orchestral cuts

By Our Arts Reporter Unless the BBC withdraw notices of dismissal sent to 17 musicians employed by the fiv corporation orchestras that ar being scrapped as part of th

economy measures, th Musicians Union will order a its members asked to play fo the BBC to strike from June The BBC has notified th union and the Department c Employment that statutor notices terminating the musicians' employmen will ex pire at the end of August.
The union is carrylog out
ballot of BBC staff musiciar
during the next seven days, an

that will carry with it a stror recommendation to strike. The result of the ballot will known in about a fortnight Questioned on the Radio programme, The World at On yesterday, Mr Aubrey Singe managing director of BB Radio, said there was a lot of retaining 34 musiciaus in five orchestras an the cash to employ freeland musicians had been increase by 30 per cent. Music funt were to be set up.

When it was upt to him the Musicians' Union official he said it would be impossible for the Promenade Concerts to I held, Mr Singer said: "We wi negoriate right up to the la minute, but if we cannot say have to accept in order achieve these economies. Ti concerts are planned to start

Trainee earns £20,000

in commission From Our Correspondent Southampton

Mr Peter Halai, a train insurance salesman, has earne £20,000 commission in thr weeks by selling insuran-policies valued at fim.

His delighted employer the Property Growth Assurance company offices in Queensway Southampton, yesterday pr sented him with an engrave tray for what is thought to b ecord insurance sales.

Mr Halsi, a former televisic salesman, aged 20, is still trai ing and is confident that he c maintain his £1,000 a day ear

ings.

Mr Halai was born of It ian parents, adopted, and ex boarding scho cated at a boarding schnear Basingstoke. He plans to use his £20.0 for a deposit on a house and

£30m pledgd to TV consortium over franchise

Midlands Television, the co sortium trying to win Associate Television's franchise, has bee promised £30m if the attem succeeds, Mr Stuart Wilso Midlands managing directo

said vesterday. Mr Joseph Gormley, preside of the National Union of Mir. workers, is to join the board. The decision, reported vest day of the International Pulishing Corporation and Rad Tele Luxembourg not to jo the venture will not affect Mi lands's intentions, Mr Wils-

Printing employers' solidarity is under strain

newspapers from many break-fast tables over the past week has served to focus attention on an industrial dispute that other-

Fleet Street has been affected our times by "guerilla" four times by "guerilla" walkouts, usually involving only a few dozen key members of the National rGaphical Association, which is in dispute with the Newspaper Society, repre-senting provincial publishers, and the British Printing Industries Federation, representing 3,700 general printing firms. Local newspapers and print-ing companies had been suffer-

mum earnings guarantee and an-immediate 371-hour week. Since the suspensions began

In the provincial newspaper

Gordon Doble, Wolverhamp-

ton Rugby Club's captain, was

sent for trial yesterday accused

of causing grievous bodily harm

Mr Doble, aged 30, of Pende-ford Avenue, Tettenhall, West Midlands, was committed on bail for trial at Stafford Corwn Court by magistrates at Wom-

bourne, near Wolverhampton.

The society-federation pack-age accepted in a ballot by the

Rugby captain is | Papers may be off street another week

By Our Labour Editor

Most provincial newspapers will be off the streets for another week and many printing firms at a standstill after an employers' decision last night to continue a national lockout. Leaders of the British Print-ing Industries Federation and the Newspaper Society decided to continue the suspension of members of the craft print union, the National Graphical Association, at least until Wed-

nesday. ı is likely to further NGA disruption of Fleet Street in the offices of national Street in the offices of national newspapers with substantial provincial publishing interests. Members of the union have been staging "guerrilla" stoppages during the past week. Senior negotiators of the BFIF and the NS met last night to coasider the next move in the dispute that her has termine. the dispute that has tempocarily closed papers in the

provinces.

A general print employers' spokesman declined to say whether a new peace initiative was being planned. He confirmed that contact with the Advisory, Conciliation and Arbitration Service was being maintained. maintained.

maintained.

The BPIF council, meeting with representatives of the Newspaper Society, heard a report on the response to the employers' call for a suspension of NGA members from the temployers. They decided the second of the second of the temployers are the temployers. last Monday. They decided to support those firms carrying support those tirms carrying out the suspension. The two sides disagree on bow many men have actually been suspended without pay

for imposing sanctions in pur-suit of their £80-a-week mini-mum carnings target. The employers insist that about 30,000 members of the union have been locked out; but the NGA claims it is nearer half that figure.

Brushing aside the threat of

continuing suspension, Mr Joe Wade, geenral secretary of the NGA, said last night: "We are now even more convinced that we are going to win this dispute. The number of firms over the last few days asking our members to go back to work and agreeing our terms makes it clear nothing can stop us winning." Mr Wade contested the EPIF view on suspension numbers.

insisting that it was no more than 17,000, of whom 10,000 were in the provincial newspaper field. The general printing employers' decision to continue the lockout the "whistling in the dark", he claimed. By now nearly 40 per cent of the commercial industry labour force was working on rates agreeable to the NGA, Printing resumed: The Birming-ham Engine Media resumed. Printing resumed: The Birming hain Evening Meil resumed nroduction yesterday after reinstating its susnended NGA employees (Arthur Osman writes from Birmingham). "An understanding" was said to have been reached over wages and means of re-starting publication.

Both sides agreed that talks would start on Tuesday between

would start on Tuesday between senior national officers of the NGA and the management.
The morning Birmin; hom Post will appear today and the Sunday Mercury will resume publication tomorrow.

Head resigns over move to restore grammar school By Sarah Bayliss, of The Times servatives in the local election.

Educational Supplement .

A decision by the Government to allow a Midlands compre-hensire school to revert to a grammar school has prompted the headmastsr of a comprehensive near by to decide to leave. Mr Kenneth France, head master of the academically successful and popular John Willmott comprehensive, wants early retirement because he fears that his school will suffer with the creation of a grammar

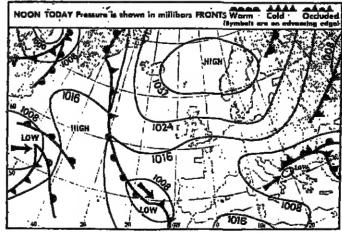
Sutton Coldfield Girls' School Mr France, aged 56, head-master for the past 12 years, will stick to his decision even if a Labour council committed to ending the grammar school plan wins Birmingham from the Con-

He says the grammar versus comprehensive battle will continue in Sutton Coldfield, and he has had enough of the political footballing".

His decision comes after an announcement last week by Mr Mark Carlisle, Secretary of State for Education, approving a request from Birmingham City Council to turn Sutton Coldfield Girls' School, comprehensive for the past five years, back into a selective grammar school. Mr Ronald Wootton, a Con-

servative councillor. of the governors at John Willmort school but an active supporter of the grammar school idea, has received a copy of Mr France's request for early retirement. He said the school was a first-class comprehensive

Weather forecast and recordings



Today

Moon sets: Moon rises: 10.36 pm 10.36 p

London, SE, Central N England, Midlands: Bright periods developing, dry in many places, scattered showers; wind NE, moderate to fresh; max temp 12° to 15°C 154° to 59°F).

154' to 59°F).
East Anglia: Dry. sunny periods developing: wind NE, fresh: max temp 12° to 13°C (54° to 59°F).
Central S, SW England, Channel Islands. S Wales: Thundery showers, rather cloudy in many places; wind NE, moderate to fresh; max temp 10° to 13°C (50° to 55°F).
E. NE Empland, Borders: Rather cloudy, hill and coast fog patches, drizzle near some coasts, otherwise dry: wind NE, fresh; max temp 8°C (46°F).
N Wales, NW England, Lake

District, Isle of Man: Dry, bright or sunny periods developing; wind NE, moderate to fresh; max temp 13° to 15°C (55° to 59°F).

Edinburgh, Dundee, Aberdeen: Dry, sunny intervels, cloudy near some coasts; wind E to NE, moderate to fresh; max temp 9° to 10°C (43° to 50°F).

ate to fresh; max temp 9' to 10°C (43° to 50°F).

NW, StV Scotland, Glaszow, Central Highlands, Moray Firth. Argyll, N Ireland: Dry, sundy periods; wind NE, moderate: max temp 13° to 15°C (55° to 59°F).

NE Scotland, Orkney, Shedand: Dry, bright or sunny periods; wind to NE, moderate, locally fresh; max temp 9'C (48°F).

Outlook for the weekend: Dry in many places with some sunin many places with some sun-singe. E coasts will be rather cloudy, S Britain probably having some showers; temp near or above normal, but rather cold on above normal, but rather cold of E coasts. Sea passages: S North Sea, Strait of Dover: Wind NE, veer-ing E, fresh locally, strong; sea moderate or rough. English Channel (E), St George's Channel: Wind NE, moderate or fresh; sea slight or moderate.

moderate, Irish Sea: wind NE, moderate or fresh locally, strong in N: sea elight or moderate locally, rough in N.

Yesterday

WEATHER REPORTS YESTERDAY MIDDAY: c, cloud; f, fair;

7 am. 7°C (45°F). Humidity, 7 50 per cent. Rain, 24 hr to 7 0.08in. Sun. 24 hr to 7 pm, 7.6 Ear, mean sea level, 7 pm, 1,0 millibars, steady. 1,000 millibars=29.53 in.

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Thatcher pledge of firm action against embassy terrorists

In ciplomatic moves designed to reduce tension in Iran-over siege at the Iranian. Embassy in London, Mrs. Margaret Thatcher sent a personal message to President Bani-Sadr

carn about the situation at the Iranian Embassy in London.

This intrusion constitutes an act of terrorism and an infringement of the immunity of diplomatic staff- which the

"The Home Secretary is personally in charge of the situation and I am raking a very close personal interest! I wish to assure you that we shall be realize that this country took keeping in constant touch with

Meanwhile the Foreign Office confirmed that Mr Quibradeh had expressed his thanks for the earlier expression of British concern, sent after the siege

started.

The Foreign Office has been in touch with the Klinistry of Foreign Affairs in Tehran and with Mr Qotbradeh in Abu

of handling the situation.
Assurance cited: Mr William Whitelaw, the Home Secretary, was in continual contact yesterday with developments at the Iranian embassy in Knights-bridge (our Parliament Cor-

with the Forcian Minister, Mr Saden : Qothzaich. Mrs Thatcher's message, sent through the British Ambassador in Tehran, Sir John Graban Said : "I John Gra commons to answer the questions to the Home Office, Mr whitelaw later made a state ment to the House in which he assured MPs that contrary to reports of incommons to answer the questions to the House in which he assured MPs that contrary to reports of incommons to answer the questions to the House in which he assured MPs that contrary to reports of incommons to answer the questions to the House in which he assured MPs that contrary to reports of incommons to answer the questions to the House in which he assured MPs that contrary to reports of incommons to answer the questions to the House in which he assured MPs that contrary to reports of incommons to the same of the questions to the House in which he assured the questions to the House in which he assured to the House in t been seriously hurt.
The terrorists, he said, had

given an assurance that the British hostages would not be harmed About 20 people were being held in the embassy. of diploment start which the being need in the embessy.

Britis! Government finds Because of the delicate totally repugnant, and is acting nature of the negotiations that firmly to counter.

"I hope the intident will be police and the terrorists, MPs, but the process of the Market resolved speedily and I assure at the suggestion of Mr Merlyn you the safety of the lives at Rees, Labour's home affairs stake will be of paramount consideration.

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seriously the need to protect those in diplomatic missions.

Mr Whitelaw said that since the incident began the building had been surrounded by the

police.
They had maintained communication with the terrorists and their aim, if at all possible, was to bring the incident to a peaceful conclusion without loss of life...

Sanctions Bill depends on Brussels meeting

By Fred Emery Political Editor

The Government's decision on what enabling Bill is required impose economic sunctions ca Iran mow depends on an European Economic Community meeting of officials in Brussels next week, ministers disclosed yesterday. Indeed, it seems that the May 17 date which— failing release of the United States hostages-EEC heads of government have agreed to set for the joint implementation of finctions may be more of flexible target than a deadline.

in the view of some ministers. Among items the Government helieves will require new legis-lacion are contractual arrange-ments (although it is not clear the Government whether existing contracts would be suspended); compensation; shipments, including tranship-

ments in Britain of goods for Iran; and financial affairs, including the possible freezing

After next week's Brussels meeting a further meeting of Cabinor ministers will be held to decide the terms of the legislation. The Government hopes to introduce a short enabling Bill, to become effec-tive though Order in Council, In the next week. But its rapid passage would depend heavily on Opposition cooperation.

bound to oppose the move Conservative backbenchers also oppose economic sanctions on principle.

Teachers' letter raises hopes about pay talks

By Diana Goddes
Education Correspondent
A letter sent yesterday by
teachers to local authorities,

tearitying their intentions re-parding the continuation of serious negotiations on condi-tions of service, could provide the means for a breakthrough on teachers' pay negotiations, which resume roday.

Air Douglas McAvoy, deputy coneral secretary of the National Union of Teachers and convener of the teachers and convener of the teachers side of the joint Council of the Joint Council of Local Education Authorities School Teachers (CLEA/ST) committee, decided not to extend a secretly planned meeting with local authority leaders. ye terday.

He wrote instead to Mr Alan Granow, under secretary of the Local Authorities Conditions of Service Advisory Board, ex-plaining why he believed that the replies from four of the five main teachers' unions to the employers' request for an assuronce us to their intentions on conditions of service did provide a consumble, responsible, and arisfactory response. All four unions were willing

All four unions were writing to continue discussions to try to seek "an agreed definition on the teacher's day and year, within which the working party (un conditions of service) could recommend, and where appropriate quantity, specific respon-sibilities", he, said.

Teachers accepted that any negotiations would seek to de: fine. as far as was practicable, the teacher's day and duties.

licalth Authority and Dr Han-

les M. T. Coles, consultant

randiatrician. They had denied

had sued through Mr Francis

Fowler, the Director of Social

Services.
The judge said that although

it was contrary to good practice to place the boy in an oxygen

enriched aumosphere for the

first 33 hours, his condition did

28 weeks gestation, at West-

He had been born after only

nor develop as a result of it.

of: Iranian assets.

on Opposition cooperation.

While it seems that the Government can count on the support of Mr Peter Shore, Labour's foreign affairs spokesman, the assent of the rest of the shadow Cabiner is uncertain, and Labour's left wing is

Scheme to grade doctors for consultancies

By Our Health Services Correspondent

The British Medical Association is proposing a new grade of hospital doctor because too many junior doctors are trying for too few consultancy posts. Comments are to be sought comments are to be sought from members on a document published yesterday which proposes that there should be two categories of registrar post.

One would be for those doctors approved for the first stage of higher training in a machine. Those posts would be

stage of higher training in a specialty. Those posts would be limited in number to give reasonable prospect of obtain-ing a senior registrar's post The other category would be for general professional train-

for general protessional training posts suitable either for a doctor wishing to make a career in the speciality or for one intending to enter one of the allied specialties.

The document was drawn up by Dr John Nabarro, chairman of the Joint Consultants' Committee which draws members

of the Joint Consultants' Committee, which draws members
from the British Medical Association and The Royal Colleges.
It was established to formulate
policy about consultants and
haspital practice.

Its proposals are designed to
tackle the difficulty of those
doctors who train for as long
as 15 years in hospital, only to
find that their hopes of becoming a consultant will never
be realized.

The report, Hospital Staffing
in the 1980s, was presented to
the BMA's central committee
for huspital medical services
yesterday

Atmosphere by embassy varies from carnival to fear

Police separate chanting groups

The atmosphere near the Iranian Embassy at Princes Gate, Kensington, changed vesterday from farce and near carnival to moments of frightening nationalistic fervour. when rival groups of chanting demonstrators faced each other in the warm spring sunshine while the hostages sat out the second day of their ordeal.

A policeman received a sus-pected broken ankle and several arrests were made when police separated two groups of pro-Khomeini Iranians. Five policemen struggled to pin down a frantic demonstrator who lashed out with hands and feet.

There were other arrests later when police eased a group of British and Americans away from more than 100 Iranians kept by the police in the park. The main group of about 300 in Kensington Road were penned between lines of police-

by students from Imperial Col-lege, sang Rule Britannia and the British and American national anthems, and shouted:
"Go home you burns". The
Iranians in the park, amid a crowd of several hundred people, retorted by chanting pro-Khomeioi and anti-Ameri-

can slogans. The students brought a piano to lead the singing and a group of drum-beating, saftron-robed Buddhists appeared, only to be shephered by police away from the main demonstration.

At one point some of the At one point some of the British crowd knelt and prayed in mock Muslim style at the Iranians and posters proclaiming "Want to die for Khomeini? then drop dead". and "Stop bloodshed in Iraq" ware waved.

An American youth from New York who told the Iranians

some carrying blankets with which to bed down for the night on the road, alternated between silence and shouting slogans. Late in the afternoon a mullah appeared to lead the chapting by the Jennians in the chanting by the Iranians in the park and those in the road.

A false report on the radio saying that the British Embassy in Iran had been occupied stimulated the Iranians into cheering and dancing.

Protest over raid: About 50 May Day demonstrators, many of them Iranians, gathered out-side the United States Embassy in London yesterday to protest against the unsuccessful American attempt to free the hostages held in Iran (a Staff Reporter

writes).
A group calling itself the Socialist Organizer and Iranians living in Britain handed in a note at the embassy in Grosven or Square calling on the United States to recognize the right of Iranians to self-determination and to abandon military threats



A pro-Khomeini demonstrator holding a picture of the hostages between 1977 and 1979, tween positive and negative be weaker among older and ayatollah outside the Iranian Embassy in London yesterday. was expected to disclose effects, for more than half the more highly educated people.

Arsenal fan and monk ioin siege protesters

By John Witherow The statue of Dr David Livingstone leaning heavily on his walking stick appeared slightly bemused by the bizarre spec-tacle unfolding before him on May Day in Kensington Gore, London.

The explorer's view of Hyde Park, 200 yards, from the be-sieged tranian embassy, was obscured by two grant hydraulic television platforms, scores ul camera tripods an da fair smat-tering of the world's press.

Towards the Albert Hall several hundred Iranian students marched in a circle in the street chanting sloguns within earshot of the hostages and the gunmen who siezed the embassy just before midday on Wedness

To compound the untypicality of the Kensington scene a Japanese Buddbist monk dresed in flowing robes, appeared briefly beating a dhurma drum. "I am here to pray for peace and prevent a possible disaster", he said, becelling among the Hyde Park daffodils. among the five rate outlook.

Many were wearing white smocks bearing slogars written in red paint stating: "We give our last drop of blond for (Ayatollah) Khomenei", and "Long live Khomenei".

Long live Khomenei". They kept up an almost conthuous chant demanding the release of te hostages and ex-pressing their support for the Iranian religious leader. "We are all your soldiers Khomenei. ready for your orders, and "We will defeat Carter, we promise you Iman, we will defeat the torturers".

They were not the only people with a cause. A men among the crowd of onlonkers defiantly held un a placard saving: "Arsenal for the Cura". Mr Seid Saied, a student, said when asked what the point fthe demonstraton was: "We defeated the Shah in the same wav-just with chanting.

He said the gunmen were not Iranians but men backed by the Americans and speaking with an accept which indicated they were educated in Lebu-

After-care important for hostages people held hostage reported later that they were able to see the relativity of things

By Jacob Ecclestone

Unless preparations are made for their after care, those taken hostage in the Iranian embassy are likel yto suffer long term effect sfrom their ordeal.

effect sfrom their ordeal.

A study carried out for the Durch Government by the department of psychiatry at Leyden University after seven cases of hijacking an doccupations involving nearly 300 hostages between 1974 and 1977 contains firm recommendations are the cort of bein horages. on the sort of help hostages and their families should be

given.
They include an immediate They include an immediate reception centre for the victims; a centre for their relatives, which they should be encouraged to organize themselves; offers of help by doctors and social workers; and suggestions that victims make use of facilities for consulting with psychiatrists and psychologists.

gists.
The Durch report, besed on interviews, with 168 former hostages between 1977 and 1979,

Historic hall

to be opened

National Trust is preparing to

open to the public one of its latest and most cherished acquisitions, Dudmaston Hall, near

Bridgnorth, Shr opshire in about

Its prepidation comes from the fact that Dudmaston is too small

to withstand mass tourism.

Architecturally the house is of no great distinction, dating from

century, with some Palladian

touches superimposed more than

However, its history, sur-

roundings and contents distin-

guish it. Until it was given

to the trust two years ago it had not changed ownership except by inheritance, and both gardens and estate are con-

sidered classic examples of

The house was built by Sir. Thomas Wolryche and subsequently became the home of

the Wolryche-Whitmore family.

The last owner was Lady Labouchere, who still lives

there with her husband, a re-

In the four main rooms to be

opened to the public, a special "timed, ticket" system will operate to prevent overcrowding,; some small galleries will also be open in the south wing. Their coments include a fine solution of the south wing.

collection of modern paintings. Visitors will also be free to roam the glorious gardens, which slope down to a lake and

are modelled on the lost Lea-sowes of William Shenstone.

Dudmaston will open on Wed nesdays from 2.15 t o5.30 pm, and on Thursdays for pre-booked parties only. The open-

the beginning of the eight

to public

From John Young Bridgnorth, Shropshire With some trepidation the

two months' time:

a century later.

their kind.

tired diplomat.

similarities between wartime imprisonment and the taking of

Professor J. Bastiaans, chair-man of the investigating team, man of the investigating team, carried out research into the interrogation of IRA suspects in Northern Ireland which later led to a complaint against Britain at the European Commission of Human Rights.

The short-term effects of being held hosizee that being held hostage, those that show up within four weeks, were insomma, tenseness, phobias, with women showing stronger effects than men.

Long-term effects, found among two thirds of those held hostage, were irritability, vague physical complaints, a strong preoccupation with the fact of having been a hostage and feel-

having been a hostage and feel-ings of being misunderstood. Again, women showed stronger symptoms than men. Understandably, the length of captivity was reflected in the

strength of the effects.

A distinction was drawn be-

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is that each new case of hostage-taking had the effect of reviving previous fears and stress among earlier victims. Emphasizing that most of those released from hostage greatly appreciated after care,

the report says that the in-itiative for help must come from the doctor or social worker rather than the victim. It was important that former tunity to talk about their experiences during the first hours after their release".

The process of adjustment release, was also examined, and the report says that "positive thinking", diversions, belief in God and especially contact with fellow hostages were important.
Two other finding were that

negative after-effects tended to

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No damages for boy blind for life A long aged five blinded for minster Hospital, and was trans-life after being given oxygen ferred the same day to Westtering additional oxygen during a second phase of Robert's bospital care when he was having recurrent breathing difficulties. ferred the same day to West-minster Children's Hospital, after his premature birth failed where he received the treatin win damages vesterday in a negligence claim against a hos-

ment.

The judge said he regretted to have to hold that in being given an oxygen enriched atmosphere, even to the extent of only 30 per cent, the standard of care accorded to the baby fell below that expected of a hospital holding itself our according to the care of the period of a hospital holding itself our according to the period of a hospital holding itself our according to the period of pital anthority.

"Robert" was only about the size and weight of a two-pound bag of sugar when he was born in 1975. Mr Justice May in the High Court in London said he was not satisfied that giving the hally oxygen treatment for the

of a hospital holding itself our as capable of taking care of premature babies.

He was not satisfied that keeping the boy in excass ambient oxygen for the first 36 hours played more than a minimal, if any, part in the subsequent tragedy.

"Although the 36 hours covered a period when Robert was not at risk, relatively the first 26 hours of his life played any substantial part in his developing an eye condition which led to total blindness. The bny would have received 57,500 damages had he won he claim against Kensington, Chelsea and Westminster Area

was not at risk, relatively the ambient oxygen concentration was not greatly in excess of acting negligently.

The boy is in the care of Westminster City Council and normal or as high as it was on

occasions later.
"Even though Roberts may have been most at risk during those 36 hours, he still remained a premature, very small and, on occasions, very unwell baby throughout the next three or

By the end of that period the damage was complete and irreversible. The judge said he "could not convict the defen-

The judge said it was accepted that in all respects but one, the administration of excess oxygen, the care given Robert by doctors and nurses looking after him in the hospital between January and October, 1975, could not have been bettered.

Few babies born as small as RFobert and so prematurely survived, the judge said. At the time Robert's chances of surrival were about one in ten. But as a result of skilled care and attention at Westminster Children's Hospital over nine months Robert, apart from hisblindness, was a healthy five-

year-old. The hospital authority and Dr Coles were awarded their costs of the action.

Dr Coles, who has retired, did not give evidence although be was in court for most of the heoring. The judge had been told he had no personal recol-lection of Robert's case. "I do not think that I should

draw any adverse inference from his absence from the witness box," the judge said.

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New roses for Chelses Show: Mr Tony Clements, of Kin Lynn, with one of his new miniature roses, recently intiduced from America, which he will be showing at t Chelsea Flower Show this year. The variety, Sweet, bea fragrant yellow flowers and grows to about four inches ta

Chemical arms 'should equal East Europe's' booklet, Protect and Survi which was to have been isst to the public onl ywhen a n

lear attack was expected

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and the home the report sa There is no peacetime shel-policy in the United Kingda for the general population Mr Banks fears that failu

to coordinate civil defen preparations between countri

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The report calls for the

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The report says that t committee is greatly concern

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An action to commit the directors of the Greenpea

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port Docks Board, white claimed that Greenpeace di

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Mr Justice Pain agreed to a

adjournment on a submissio from Mr Edwin Glasgov counsel for Greenpeace, the

the three defendants, Mr Alla Thurnton, Mr Pater Wilkinso and Mr David McTaggart, an the organization's craft, would not go within 100 miles of

Barrow before the next hearing

An injunction was obtaint by the docks board on Januar 23 restraining the Greenpear directors from impeding the

free navigation of vessels in

or out of Barrow docks.

In March a protest organize
by Greenpeace and a local re-

nto Barrow docks.

By Pearce Wright Science Editor

By Peter Evans

Home Affairs Correspondent A Western European Union report recommends that Nato's chemical weapon stocks should equal the estimated offensive capabality of the Warsaw Pact a sa deterrent.

The report, by Mr Robert Banks, Conservative MP for Harrogate, is backed by the union's committee on defence question sand armaments and will go to its assembly for approval.

Mr Banks says that the Russian occupation of Afghanistan is a warning to the West.

"At a time when Europe is exposed to a serious threat from

both nuclear and chemical, weapons from the Soviet Union. couppled with the realization that theree i sno longer a Nato capability for a prolonged con-ventional war, it has become essential for Europe to face the consequences of a war in which chemical and nuclear weapons could be used."

The report recommends that he council should encourage bilateral an dmultilateral nego-tiations to be nthe production, stockpiling and use of chemical-weapons wit hadequate verifi-

Another recommendation is that it is the moral duty of governments to inform their populations in peacetime of the dangers of nuclear, chemical and hological attacks. The report says an updated version of the Britis hGovernment's

Two rare Boulle Move to jail coffers in protest men is adjourned Monaco sale

By Geraldine Norman Sale Room Correspondent Two majestic coffers supported on matching stands made for the Grand Dauphin, son of the "Sun King", Louis KIV of France, by André-Cherles Boulle are to be offered for sale by Sotheby's in Monaco on May 76.

Monaco on May 26. Boulle was the pre-eminent cabinet maker of Louis XIV's reign and the elaborate marquetry decoration in copper and tortoiseshell which he invented has ever since been known as "Boulle".

The coffers are among the rare items of furniture that can be definitely ascribed to the master himself; the commission for the first coffer appears in the royal accounts for 1684: "A Boulle ébéniste, pour un coffre de marquetterie pour

Monseigneur . . . 700 Liveres. They are immensely rich. Sotheby's are not suggesting a price, but merely pointing out that the highest so [ar on the control of the control record for the style is about \$220,000.

The other extraordinary by Greenpeace and a local re-rarity of the Monaco sale is a dents' action group against the group of six bronze roundels celebrating the great achieve ments of Louis XIV, mainly vessel Pacific Pisher enter

were made and these six were acquired by King George IV of England in 1825. He presented them to his mistress, the Man and enough time to his mistress. them to his mistress, the Marchioness Conyngham.
They have belonged to the Conyngham family ever since and are being sold by the "Conyngham Heirlooms Trust".

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instructing solicitors had n had enough time to prepa-their case. This was "not tactic". The directors of Gree peace were "honourable as honest men". They admitted conducting

vizorous protest, but in su-a way as not to offend the ruling of the court, he said. Sotheby's suggest a price of about £750,000.

Check on fairground rides urged by safety body

By Lucy Hodges
Fairground safety standards
were adequate and the number
of accidents was, low, the Health
engineers who inspected rid and Safety Executive said yesterday in reply to demands for action from safety campaigners arising from a fairground accident in Bedfordshire this week, when four children were injured

injured.
There are no official figures on fairground accidents because they are not required to be reported under the Health and

general of the council, said that

should be fully qualified; cer ficates of inspection should be prominently displayed; are vague and ill defined terms relating to performance in machinery should be replace by specific requirements of the kind required for factor machinery. Mr Tye said.
Seven years ago the count made a three-week survey at a factor of the count made a three-week survey at a fair within the count of t

reported under the Health and Safety at Work Act, but the executive considered that injuries were few in the context of the number of rides.

That impression was contested by the British Safety Council, which said yesterday that it wanted Britain's 900 factory inspectors to be on duty at all fairs ounds during the coming Bank holiday weekend to inspect machinery.

The council also called for a radical overhaul of safety standards because it was unhappy with the voluntary code of practice. Mr James Tye, a director general of the council, said that The statutary duty of looking after machinery rested with the operator, it said. It was imposed that operators should be compared to the company of the comp

peneral of the council, said that he had written to Mr James Prior, the Employment Secretary, to demand the withdrawal of the code.

Competent, herewe their machinery and what they were looking for, but it was too much a confidence of the code.

Chief Executive Officer

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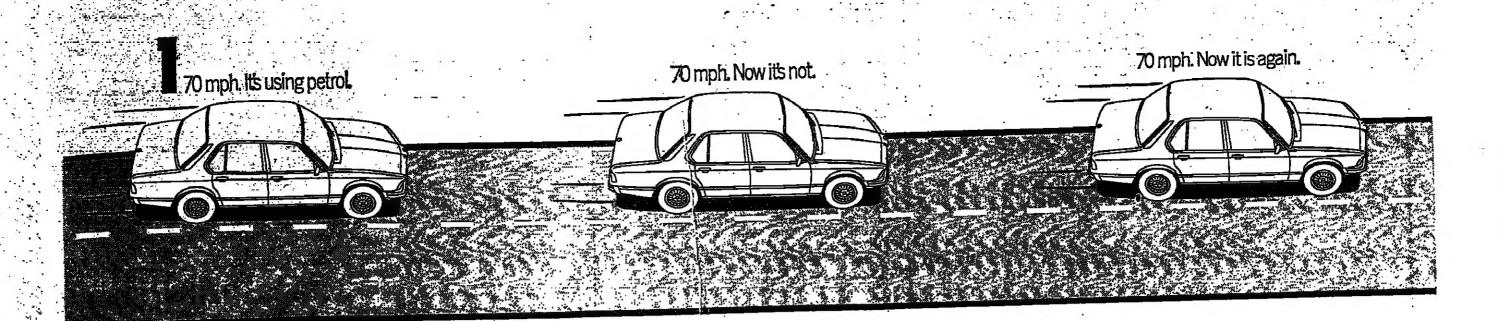
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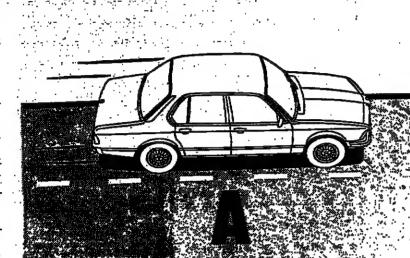
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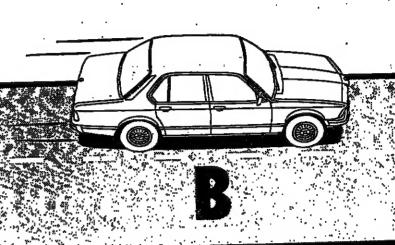
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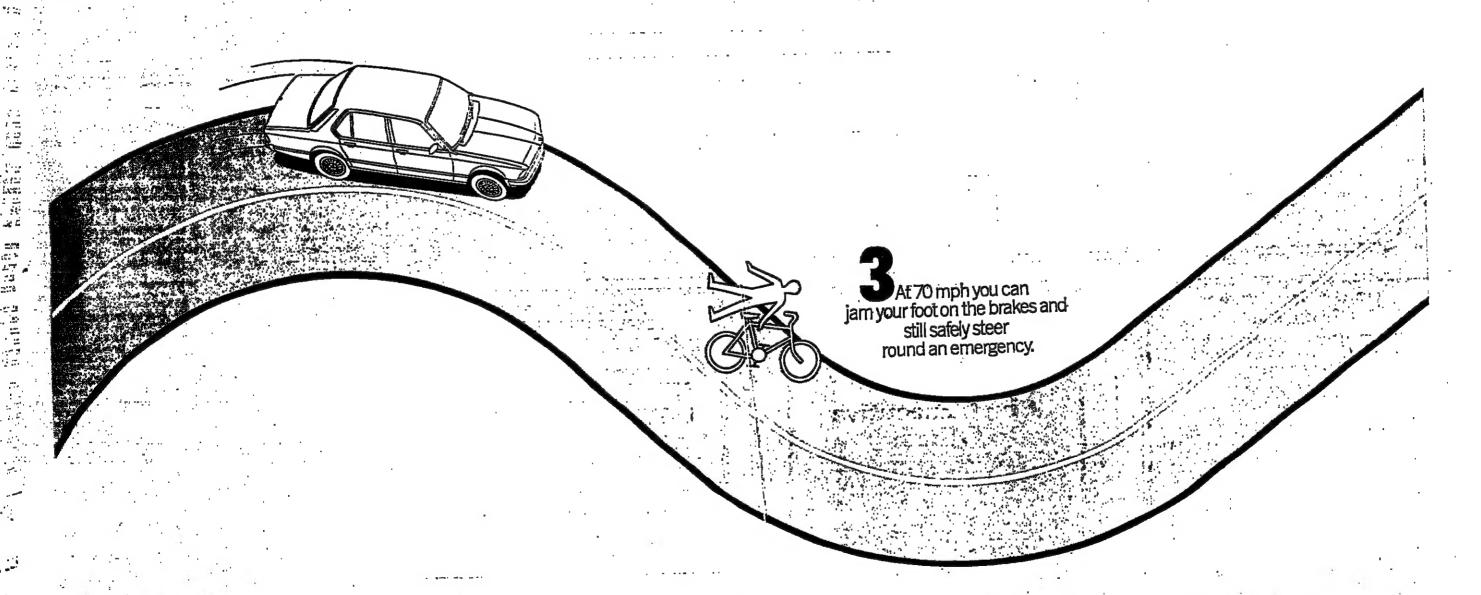
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The Pope embarks on six-nation tour of black Africa

10 days. It will be his first foreign trip this year, but will be followed in coming months by visits to France, Brazil and the Philippines.
The Pope has emphasized the

The Pope has emphasized the religious nature of the journey to Zairc, the Congo, Kenya, Chana, Upper Volta and Ivory Ceast. His purpose, he said recently, would be above all religious, a journey of friendship and brotherly love, to greet the populations and, knowing them better, to be able to love them better.

The Polish-born Pope will be able to gain a first hand, if ficeting, impression of the problems facing the Roman Catholic Church in Africa, such as the pressure of Islam from the prostate and the pressure of Islam from the light and garden and the light and garden. north and east, or the difficulin some countries. In Zaire the of the poore state took over the Church's continent—bechools in the mid-1970s though Ivory Coast.

The Pope Ries tomorrow to Kinshasa, Zaire, on the first stage of an exhausting 11,000-mile tour of black Africa that will take him to six countries in 10 days. It will be his first foreign.

The visits to Zaire, me Congo

and Ghana are particularly sig-nificant, as 1980 marks the centenary of the evangelization of those countries by Roman Catholic missionaries.

Catholic missionaries.

In a flying first to Zaire, the pontiff has chosen to start with the country with the largest Roman. Catholic population, estimated at about 11 million. On Monday he crosses the Congo River by hoat to neighbouring Congo.

The stay in Kenya, from Tuesday afternoon until early Thursday morning, will include a meeting with muslims. After his arrival in Acera, Ghana, on Thursday the Pope will undertake baptisms and confirmations at an open-air Mass. On Satur-

at an open-air Mass. On Satur-day he visits Upper Volta-one of the poorest countries of the continent—before flying to

Herr Schmidt takes up invitation to Moscow

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them. Skilled care can help them surmount their disabilities

to manage on her own. So she became a patient here.

From Patricia Clough Boun, May 1 Herr Helmut Schmidt, the Chancellor, disclosed today that he has decided to accept President Brezhnev's invitation dent Brezhnev's invitation
Speaking at a trade union
May Day rally, he let slip that
he would "see the Soviet
leaders in Moscow". He would
tell them to "Start pulling your
troops out of Afghanistan,
where they do not belong."

The Chancellor was due to visit Moscow early this year, but when the Soviet Union in-tervened in Afghanistan arrangements for the trip had not been made. When the Soviet Union asked him to discuss a date recently he post-

poned his reply.

Herr Schmidt's spokesma. has repeatedly emphasized that he would not be going as a

Protesters fail to reach Queen in Switzerland

From Alan McGregor Geneva, May 1

A noisy, anti-royalist demon-stration failed today to mar the happy progress of the Queen's nappy progress of the Queen sy visit to Switzerland when she visited Grün 80, the national gardens and environment exhibition, at Basle. About 250 demonstrators, shouting "Queen go home!", were intercepted by police before getting within earshot of the royal party...

A dozen people were detained and placards, plastic bags of paint and rotten eggs were seized. The demonstrators, thought to be from the far-out

thought to be from the far-out leftist fringe, had left a May Day parade through the city.

The only other event on the programme, restricted after yesterday's strenuous day, in western Switzerland, was a banquer tonight at the British Ambassador's residence in Regue

Berne.
For Grün 80 in balmy, seasonable weather, the Queen was in a salmon-pirk two-piece suit, with hat of darker pink—a change from the first two days of the visit when she wore costs and matching hats.

Because of his invitation to tonight's dinner at the embassy, Mr Willy Ritschard, the Social

tonight's dimer at the embassy, Mr Willy Ritschard, the Social ist Finance Minister, delivered his traditional May Day address last night at Kirchberg, usar Berrie. He spoke impromptu in part, having discarded his prepared text, which, nevertheless was published investigations. lished in today's newspapers.

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In it, the minister expressed astonishment at the Swiss public's interest, as reflected in the "yellow press", in details such as "the clothes the Queen is wearing, including underwear and petricoats. Many people are more interested in such things than, in their own digestion".

Four planes on same flight level

By Frances Gibb

A fourth aircraft was cleared for the same flight level by Spanish air traffic controders at the time of the Dan-Air Boeing 727 crash on Friday, in: Tenerife which killed all 146 people on board, it was unofficially disclosed yesterday.

The aircraft was a Spanish-owned Iberia Antines light aircraft which was beading for the new sirport in the south of the

It has now omerged that in addition to the Bosing: 727, which crashed on a mountain side 11 miles south of los Rodeos, there was a Bosing 737 of Britannia Airways, the package holiday airline operating from Luton, a Boeing 708 of British Airtours, the British Air-ways package holiday subsidiary airline, based at Garwick, and the light aircraft all at the same

The 737 crew questioned the flight level they were given when they heard a similar level being given to the 707 and it changed. They have no filed an airmiss report

About 172 miles north of Tenerife there is a change from Portuguese to Spanish air traf-fic control and all four aircraft would have come under the Spanish controllers.

Seconds before the accident. the airliner reported a ground proximity warning to the con-trol tower, it now emerges. The commission of inquiry at Tenerife has said that the tapes from the control tower, record ing communication between the tower and the aircraft, show that the last radio call from the Boeing 727 was at 14.21.

The proximity warning was a "whoop, whoep, pull up, pull up" signal sounding in the cockpit. Previously it had been thought last contact was at

At that time, the aircraft was cleared for 5,000 ft, but after that point, if following the laiddown landing procedure, it would have begun to descend at

roughly 300ft a mile. The black box, or flight data. recorder, has been sent to Madrid for analysis and results, which will be sent to the Accidents Investigation Board at Farnborough, are expected in a few days. The 100 ft tape will give details of engine power, pitch and roll and functioning of

the instruments.

Identification of the bodies, mostly by teeth (dental records are being wired to Tenerife) is continuing and is now about half-way through, a Dan-Air official said yesterday, It is not going to be possible to identify every corpse by name but all will be flown home, probably in two and a half weeks' time

Swedish call for resignation of Government From Roger Choate

Stockholm, May 1

Swedish union leaders addressing cheering May Day crowds here demanded the resignation of the Government as Sweden moved closer to

industrial chaos.

Mr Gunnar Nilsson, chairman of the Swedish Trades Union Pederation, said the Government of Mr Thorbjörn Fälldin was "in collusion with indus-try" to reduce living standards to solve Sweden's economic oblems. The Swedish Employers Fede-

The Swedish Employers retteration yesterday ordered a lock-out of 800,000 blue collar war-kers from tonight.

Mr. Nissan, im response, ordered selective strikes by about 100,000 workers in key sectors. Their strike will stop

production in mines and of steel, paper and pulp.





May Day marchers in Red Square carrying a placard demanding an end to "imperialist meddling" in Afghanistan.

British envoy joins ambassadors' boycott of May Day parade in Moscow

Moscow, May 1

Sir Curtis Keeble, the British

Ambassador in Moscow, today joined an informal boycott by 16 countries which refused to send senior diplomats to the annual May Day parade in Red Square. The countries, which

cluded 11 members of Nato, did not send their ambassadors or senior political counsellors to observe the march-past of thousands of workers, as a protest at Soviet intervention in Afghanistan. They were repre-sented in the stands by junior diplomats. Mr Thomas Watson,

American Ambassador, is not in Moscow at the moment, having returned to Washington privately after Mr Cyrus Vance's resignation. But the United States Charge d'Affaires stayed away from the parade. An embassy spokesman said it was not appropriate in the present climate of relations for him to attend.

The other countries in the hoycott included Australia, Belgium, Canada, China, Den-

Anglican bishop's

Tehran, May 1.-Miss Jean

Waddell, the secretary to the Anglican Bishop in Iran, was shot and seriously wounded by raiders, who broke into her home in Tehran today, a neighbour said

The unknown attackers, aged between 20 and 25, shot Miss Waddell through the side. She

blood transfusions, according to an English neighbour. as operated on after receiving

In a brief moment of con-sciousness Miss Waddell, aged 58, said the gunmen had tried

to strangle her and then shot her. She said the men kept asking for "Christopher Paul". The neighbour said this was

assumed to be a reference to the Rev Christopher Paul Hunt,

minister at the Episcopal Church in Tebran and a friend of Miss Waddell, who lives in the same building. Theft was apparently not the motive of

Miss Waddell, who has been

in Iran for about three years, was due to go on leave shortly. She is secretary to Bishop Hassan Behgani, Iranian-born head of Iran's Anglican Church, who is out of Iran at the moment—Reuter.

the raid.

shot in Tehran

secretary

htaly, Japan, Luxembourg, The Netherlands, Norway, Pakistan and Portugal. The French Ambassador went to Red Square as usual.

President Brezhney, looking

tanned and relaxed after a three-week boliday in the Crimea, took the salute from the tup of the Lenin Mausoleum flanked by Mr Kosygia, the Prime Minister, Mr Suslov, the senior ideologist, and other members of the Politburo.

The parade took its usual nonmilitary form (last year soldiers with bayonets took part in the ceremonies for the first time since 1968). Sportsmen led the procession, but there was no display by gymnests.

Afghanistan was a promin-ent theme of posters and floats. One float with a map of the country bore the slogan "We are with you, revolutionary people of Afghanistan."

Another urged a halt to the interference of imperialist forces in Afghanistan." Aukara: Strict security
measures made May Day in: Turkey a relatively calm day, with only one dead, four

Mr Sadeq Qotbzadeh, the Iranian Foreign Minister, was attacked bitterly in the United

Arab Emirates press this more-

ing for his statement in Kuwait that all the Gulf states had

been Icanian originally and that the 'Arabs had no historical

claim to the islands of Abu

Musa and Greater and Lesser

Expressing displeasure with

a visitor is an extremely serious

matter under the local laws of

hospitality, but the daily Al-litithad, which is close to offi-cial views, explained that Mr Qotbzadeh had himself broken

those laws by his Kuwait state-

ment, which was "bizarre in its content and its timing, and in the place in which it was

The people of the UAE, the

paper continued had been under the impression that Iran's

policeman of the Gulf role had come to an end with the fall

of the shah. Mr Qotbzadeh's

remarks had been unjustifiably provocative, breaking all rules

From Aone Fyfe Dubai, May 1

Tunbs.

Anger in Gulf states at

Qotbzadeh remarks

people arrested.
The death occurred during an unauthorized rally in the Medi-terranean city of Antalya, where alleged demonstrators are alleged to have attacked security forces. One demonstra-

tor was killed and four people wounded, two of them police-

Tehran : Motorcycle gangs rode Tehran: Motorcycle gangs roce into a May Day rally here and violent clashes broke our when they threw stones at a speaker and drove at full speed into crowds of left-wing Mujahedeen E-Khalq supporters. One youth was dragged from his machine and attacked

machine and attacked. Hundreds of anti-Mujahe-deen risters joined the fray, mostly religious extremists. They stormed the building where the raily was being held and threw stones at the audience from the first floor. At least 40 people were injured. In a message to Iranians, Avatollah Khomeini said May

Day was to be observed as "The day for burying the superpowers' dominance".
Madrid: At the end of a May
Day march by several thousand

thrae Arab islands might be Iranian would have been more logical, although unacceptable, coming from the shall.

The bitterest attack of all came, however, from the radical

daily Al-Khaleej, which has

always adopted a wholly sympa-thetic attitude to the Iranian revolution. "Your pronounce-ment in this Pahlavi disect

does not frighten us", it says in an open letter. "You have put on the crown of Knosrau

and retired to the Peacock

Later the paper claims that Mr Qotbraden must have been

speaking purely for himself. By contrast, Al-Khaleej carries on

an inside page a long interview from Tehran with the Iranian President in which Mr Bani-

Sadr takes a markedly con-ciliatory position both on the islands, the larger Iranian-Iraqi

dispute and autonomy, for

The gist of the Iranian President's remarks were that the Islamic nations are indivis-

Muslim conflicts are fabricated

that most

throne."

provocative, breaking all rules by the super powers who fear of diplomacy. The idea that the Islamic solidarity.

wounded, and about 1.000 supporters of the anarchist injured.

Paris : through the streets, but sup-porters of the two main trade had been unable to agree, des pite long negotiations, to mount their traditional unified

ment demonstration.

Santiago: Seven Italian labour intervened.

deserted streets and a Mass; traditionally celebrated on May

trade union, the National Labour Confederation, a small breakaway group failed to dis-perse when police asked them. Police used tear-gas grenades and there were clashes in which nine people were

Thousands marched union confederations marched opposite directions. They

parade.
Tel Aviv: More than 120,000 trade unionists paraded here in an unprecedented anti-Govern-

leaders invited to Santiago, Chile, by opposition labour organizations were arrested briefly by the police and freed after Italian Embassy officials Police patrolled the almost-

in the cathedral, was cancelled by Archbishop Silva Henriquez because of threats of violence.

> the Israelis were stoned by other Palestinian children. He insisted that only two Israelis had been present at the school at the time the boy was killed. There were conflicting re-

Nairobi, May 1

units which had cut off the Red Sea port of Assab from part of the adjoining area, have been wiped out by Ethiopian troops after a fierce bartle in the coastal area north-west of Assab. `Addis Ababa radio announced today.

Ethiopian Government says this tinian autonomy designed to region has now been cleared of reach agreement by the May 26 secessionist traitors".

Ethiopia claims victory over

From Our Correspondent

secessionists

Sea coast in this area. The

ports from Palestinian sources who claimed that Israel troops had gone to the school to break up a protest demonstration. "The point is that once again

Eritrean secessionist guerrilla

There has been intensive guerrilla activity from Eritrean

target date. Carrington-Muskie talks may centre on Iran oil

Jerusalem.

West Bank

tension rises

youth killed

From Christopher Walker
Jerusalem, May 1
Dangerously escalaring tension between Arabs and Jews in the occupied West Bank was further exacerbated today by the death of an Arab schoolboy aged 17, who was shot during a scuffle with an Israeli officer in the small town of Anabta.

officer in the small town of Anabta.

The shooting came after one of the worst weeks of civil disturbances in the region since it was seized from Jordan during the 1967 war. It was soon followed by sporadic commercial strikes and an Israeli military government ban on attempts by elected Arab mayors to hold an emergency meeting to coordinate protest action.

action.
Palestinian sources said the

the dead youth was Mr Ahmed Chouli, adding that he was the first Arab to be shot dead by an Israeli in the occupied terri-

tories since early last year. They predicted that the incident would have far-reaching repercussions among the 700,000 Palestinians living in the West

Over the past eight days, the area has been marked by num-erous angry Palestinian demon-strations, concerted stone-

throwing against Israeli military and private vehicles, retaliatory attacks on Arab property by

right wing Jewish settlers, and a series of strikes which have

closed shops, businesses and

schools.
Earlier this week, Israel's respected Hebrew daily Ha'aret, said in an editorial that recent developments in the

occupied territories hinted at

civil rebellion" and posed the

threat of violence on the scale now experienced in Northern Ireland. Many moderate Israeli

politicians have expressed a

According to an Israel mili-

tary government spokesman, to-day's shooting occurred after

two senior Israel officers had gone to the high school in Anabta in response to a request to restore order after a demonstration by hundreds of local schoolchildren. The young Arabs were protesting against

Arabs were protesting against a recent incident in Ramallah

when four Palestinians were

The Israel authorities said that the three Arab youths, one

wielding a knife and waving a

wielding a knite and waving a Palestinian flag, attacked the two officers with rocks. During the ensuing scuffle, one Arab was killed when a gun was discharged as he was fighting or the ground with an Israeli carrying an AK47 rifle. The two other Arabs were injused. The military government official

military government official said that during the incident,

an unarmed Palestinian has

been killed by an Israel bullet. This will have very serious con-

sequences", said one Pales-tinian spokesman in East

the official start in a Tel Aviv

suburb of the new round of in-

tensive negotiations on Pales-

The incident coincided with

schools.

similar view.

wounded

after Arab

By David Spamer

Diplomatic Correspondent The next stage in Western efforts to secure the release of the American hostages in Iran will be the main issue of Lord Carrington's talks in Washington with Senator Edmund Muskie, the newly nominated Secretary of Stare. The Foreign Secretary's visit is going ahead as planned, starting tomorrow. The idea of a Western boy-con of Iranian oil, if economic

sanctions do not have their intended effect, is understond to be gaining favour in American eyes. There are serious difficulties in putting such a boycott into practice, both in . There is no reason to suppose terms of arranging to share that Scoutor Muskie will pro American and British oil among pose any change in this time Western countries, and in its legal implications.

Export of Alaskan oil to Japan, for example, would require congressional authority,

and any move to get the Aramco partners to increase production to help out Japan might run up agginst anti-trust

Saudi Arabia's agreeing to a rise in output does not seem too bright, in any case, in view of the expected screening by public service television stations in America of Denth of a Princess.

Lord Carrington, though he does not go to Washington as an EEC spokesman, will report on the recent meeting of Com-munity foreign ministers, which decided to impose sanction: sanctions coming into force in the absence of decisive pro-gress on release of the hostages is May 17. May 17. There is no reason to suppose

table—on the contrary, the matter is seen as more urgen after the failure of the Ameri can rescue attempt. It i because economic sanctions by themselves may prove insuffi-cient that attention is turning to the feasibility of an oi boycott.

Britons meet Saudi resentment of attacks on Saudi Arabia in Continued from page 1 of the film was not to question

had a visit by Mr Francis Pym, the Defence Secretary, to Sandi Arabia.
In the past 180 days I have

spoken to executives of six British companies well established in Saudi Arabia. All said that business was proceeding as usual. Existing contracts had not been questioned and sev-eral companies had sought re-assurance from the government department that they were not excluded from bidding for fu-ture contracts or had inform-ally discussed the terms on which contracts might be rewhich contracts might be renewed. In all cases the response had been favourable
and in one a letter of intent
to sign an important contract
for work at the new Red Sea
port of Yenbo was obtained
Some of those I spoke to said Some of those I spoke to said they had met with strong expressions of resentment, or at least sadness, that so long-standing a friend of Saudi Arabia as Britain should show so little respect and understanding for its belief; and traditions. But they had not found that this was beld against them or their companies. or their companies.

It seems, therefore, that the immediate effect of Saudi displeasure is more likely to be felt by British companies trying to break into the Saudi market, and possibly by Britons and in a releasure with Saudi seeking employment with Saudi official bodies The word that recurs on the lips of Saudi officials when speaking of relations with Britain is "unfortunate". Death

of a Princess is condemned as

on attack on Islam and the Royel Family: But it is made clear that the cause of resent-

ment is not simply that the

film' was shown; it is seen as

only the culmination of a series

the British media. The attacks are seen as having been prompted by those opposed to Saudi Arabia's stand on the Camp David agreement and the Egypt-Israel peace treaty. The fact that the Saudi characters in the film were played by Egyptian actors, and that part of it was shot on location in Egypt, is seen by some as proof of this.

Resentment was also aroused by the British reaction to Saudi Arabia's initial expression of displeasure. Many Saudi offi-cials have studied in Britain or the United States and or the United States and strongly resent the suggestion that they do not understand or respect the British tradition of freedom of the press. They are reluctant to believe that the British Government really lacked the power to stop the film being shown, but they profess to understand the political difficulties involved.

When they resent is that not only did the Covernment not the motions of trying to get the film stopped, but that it ap-peared more sensitive to the views of Saudi Arabia's critics in Britain than to those of the Saudi Covernment. Not only did the British Government not applicable, but it went out of its way to say that it had not apolegived when attached in Parlia-ment for its expression of regret At least, the Saudis feel, the Government could have made it clear that it did not agree with the picture of Saudi Arabia that the film presented.
Seniar officials insist that
Princess, Misha was tried; convicted on the basis of her con-

the Islamic character of the punishment but to "reinforce the image of Islamic law and textual punishments as barbaric in the eyes of the West". Dr Mahmud Safar, Deputy

Minister for Higher Education, was also critical of last week's Panorama programme, for which he was interviewed along with Crown Prince Fahd and Mr Hisham Nazer, the Planning Minister. Dr Safar accused the BBC of showing only "carefully selected statements" from these interviews "to serve the purpose-and unfortunately purpose is always to burt Saudi Arabia ". The decision to ask for the withdrawal of Mr Craig was

taken just after that programme was shown, and some observers believe that the Saudi Govern-ment had been waiting in the hope that the BPC would pre-sent a more "positive" image of the country, to redress some of the country, to redress some of the damage done by the ATV film. The moderates who op-posed an open breach with Pritain, it is suggested, found they had no leg to stand on "even the BBC" when "even the BBC" pre-sented an unfavourable picture.

There is little doubt that there was a division within the Royal Family about how to react, and that some would have preferred to ignore the film as being "he-neath contempt". It is thought to have been the older mem-bers—Prince Muhammad, the grandfather of the executed princess, Prince Abdullah, com-mander of the National Guard, and the King himself—who in-sisted on taking a firm line, while Prince Fahd and Prince fession and punished by death Saud, the Foreign Minister, in strict accordance with the probably favoured a more prag-Koran. They say that the effect matic line.

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London Transport may introduce 'light railway' to cut costs

By Michael name given as the main causes. The trainsport Correspondent trains showed an operating London Transport had a surplus of £12m on a turnover of £240m. London Transport had a finished finished finances and deferiorating finances and services though with some improvements moverds the end, and suffered largely newarranted criticisms which had a design finished criticisms which had a design finished artification affort on a service finished criticisms. denoralizing effect on our staff." Mr Raigh Benaert, the Chairman, sars in his annual

trafscloses that in an effort the City with Thamesmead instead of a full-scale Cuderground line which at £300m seems unlikely to secure the

east are justifiable only if the previous highest loss of £10m services are providing good in 1974 and £1.9m in 1978. A value for money in terms of wage increases totalling £45m, double the amount budgeted.

Expenditure rose by £80m to £520m, but revenue rose only \$250m to £479m in spite of fare rises in June and September rises in June and September totaling more than 20 per cent.
Greater London Council
grants rose from £94m to £111m
on revenue account, plus £28m (nearly double the 1978 level)

on captial investment. Bus milage was down 4.1 per tent to 165 million (or seven million miles down on 1978; passenger miles were down 4.6 per cent to 2,690 million. As a result buses lost £54m, with traffic congestion, shortage of serviceable vehicles, and short-age of staff cited as the main

Underground milage was down one million miles to 29 million, and passenger-miles

Mr Bennett says in a "mes sage to our customers" that there is some hope that the tide is turning for the buses. year-end optimism has been more than justified by a conrinued improvement in the level of services so far this year", he says.

More than 500 buses were off the discusses that in an errort of the road in the early part of the interest of a light the year during the worst railway, possibly fully auto winter for 20 years, but the united and minimumed to link number had been halved by the end of the year under the new system of eight semi-autonomous bus districts operating the

services.
Rail services: Real fare for rail-There was a record loss of way commuters in the South-il-4m, compared with the east are justifiable only if the

While the Government is urged to follow a more consistent policy towards those com-muter services than hitherto, investment should be geared to efficiency in theform of reduced manpower through one-

man trains, area signalling, and automatic issuing and inspec-tion of tickets.

At present the report says, "theer appears to be an over-emphasis on introducing new technology without a con-comitant change in labour rela-

The Monopolies and Mergers Commission is investigating Brirish Rail's South-east comwere down about 1 per cent to
2.774 million, with staff shortages and unreliable vehicles port Minister.

Farmers win curb on cheap imports of US turkeys

By Our Agricultural

Britain severely reduced imports of turkey from the United States yesterday. The Government acted after hearing from farmers that imports threatened the survival of the British indus-

Air Peter Walker, Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, his courage and determination. But he gave a warning at the factories licensed to send turkes to Britain from 24 to three. His officials said that the other would last only as long as it 21 had failed to meet a British desdiine for making their plants meet EEC hygiene standards.

The National Turkey Federation of the United States regards American feed prices are less

than half of those in the EEC, Mr Maurice Stoakes, chairman of the British Poultry Federation, said yesterday: We commend the minister for took for American companies to make their factories match EEC standards.

Prison riot fear unless numbers are reduced

By Frances Gibb

A riot on the scale of that at Attica Prison, in New York State, in 1971, when 43 people died, is likely in the next two years unless Parliament legis-lates to tackle prison overcrowding, the Howard League for Penal Reform said yester-

Mr Louis Blom-Cooper, QC, the chairman, said in London that the Home Secretary's statement on the prison service was correct in its analysis that overcrowding was the root of the matter, but totally inadequate in its prescription.

Mr Whitelaw had said that legislation would be "unpalat-able" to the judiciary. "But it is not enough to exhort the judiciary [to cut sentences]; it can only be done by grasping the nettle of a review by Parliament of the maximum penalty system", he said. The league also called for a

prison ombudsman, similar to that for the National Health Service, as there was in New Zealand and Canada. The chief inspector, of prisons proposed by the Home Secretary would be limited in his powers, it said. There were immediate measures that would ease over-crowding in the short-term, he said. Sentences, except those for life, could be cut by half for all prisoners. Alternatively

there could be an amnesty for some prisoners. Advocating a reduction in the prison population by 10,000 in the next 10 months, Mr Blom-Cooper said it was not enough to propose removing prison sen ences for lesser offences. The whole maximum sentencing

system needed revision. "Evidence has shown that the deterrent effect of o sen-tence is no different if it is 13 months, 12 months or even nine
Mr Whitelaw had proposed
measures for dealing with
drunkeness offences, Mr BlomCooper said. But he had said

nothing about freeing maintenance and fine defaulters, who could do community service instead, or making certain sexual offences, such as running a brothel, non-imprisonable. Immediate action was being urged not only by "soft-headed libertarians like us". Mr Blom-

Cooper said, "but ais? Conservative MPs, such as Miss Janet Fookes, (Plymouth, Drake), who chaired an expenditure committee which produced a report. Reducing Pressure on the Prison System. In a swingeing attack on Mr

Merlyn Rees, the former Labour Home Secretary, Mr. Blom-Cooper said that Mr. Rees claim, that with a larger majority he would have put those measures through, was outra-

WEST EUROPE

Resumption of butter sales to Russia will cost EEC £22m

From Michael Hornsby

Brussels, May 1
The EEC has agreed to self
20,900 tonnes of heavily-subsidized surplus butter from its stockpile to the Soviet Union at an effective total cost to the Community taxpaver of more than £22m.

This is the first bulk sale of surplus butter to the Russians since the EEC tightened its export rules earlier in the year after the Soviet intervention in Afghanistan, and it is certain

to provoke controversy.
Sir Michael Butler, Britain's
permanent representative in Brussels, was instructed to raise the matter with his EEC colleagues at a meeting here this week, and Britain may take it up again at a foreign ministers'

The butter will be sold at a price of £670 a tonne, which compares with the price of £1,738 a tonne paid out of EEC funds to the Community dairy farmers who produced it. The butter is thus being sold at an effective rate of subsidy of £1,068 a tonne. Put in another way, the Rus-

from the EEC at a price of about 30p a pound, compared with the price of 80 to 84p a pound which EEC butter fetches in shops in Britain. The decision to sell the butter at this price was taken last Tuesday by an overwhelming majority of the EEC's dairy management committee, on

sians will be getting the butter

which officials from both the European Commission and national governments sit. Only Britain voted against the

sale as such.

There is likely to be an out-

cry over the sale from Conserva-tive members of the European Parliament who last February piloted through the assembly a resolution calling for a ban on the subsidized export of food-

stuffs to the Soviet Union. EEC governments take the view that, while they should refrain from increasing sales to the Soviet Union to fill gaps left in Russian supplies by American sanctions, they are under no obligation to reduce exports below normal levels. In an attempt to reconcile

Commission is operating a restricted system New Zealand offer: New Zealand said yesterday that it was ready to increase sales of butter in Britain at prices far lower than those now in force. The New Zealand High Commission told the Commons select com-mittee on agriculture that its country's butter could be sold in Britain at 27p a packet if no

the conflicting demands of the Parliament and the Council, the

EEC levy was charged (writes Hugh Clayton). Most European butter sold in Britain costs more than 40p. Britain costs more than 40p. The cheapest is 36p for a 250 gramme packet. The price of all EEC butter in Britain is cut by 7p a packet through an EEC

Mr Laurence Gandar, the High Commissioner, said that a chance to sell much more butter in Britain would be "very attractive" to farmers and exporters in New Zealand.

New Zealand supplies almost half of the butter sold in Britain under an EEC protocol which will cease at the end of

used in next riots, Dutch police say

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From Robert Schuil Amsterdam, May 1

Dutch police say that they may have to use firearms in any further confrontations with demonstrators similar to the one in Amsterdam yesterday which marred the investiture of Queen Beatrix.

One police official said he saw "hundreds" of cases yes-terday in which the use of firearms would have been warranted under standing orders governing their use. The police believe that they had insufficient means at their

disposal to control the violence yesterday and are disturbed by the large number of casualries They used water cannons and teargas against the rioters but despite almost continuous baton charges the riots lasted well into the night. The rioters manly threw paving stones torn from the streets. Forty people were arrested all on charges of assault and 150 people injured, more than 100 of them police.

Mr Hans Wiegel, the Minis-ter of the Interior, complimen-ted the police for their res-Today the centre of Amster-

dam, with its torn-up pave-ments and wreckage from plun-dered shops, looked more like the aftermath of a revolution than that of the instillation of a new constitutional monarch. Commentators were quick to point out, bowever, that the riots had nothing to do with sentiments against the monarchy. There was near general agreement that the agization had been the work of young hooligans out to cause trouble

Guns may be Opposition angered by Poniatowski panel

The special commission of 15 members of the National Assembly which will examine the Socialist resolution to im-peach M Michel Poniatowski, the former Minister of the Interior, before the High Court of Justice, seems determined to make haste slowly in this affair. It elected its steering committee and immediately adjourned to May 14.

The election of the steering committee caused no surprise. It had been settled two weers ago by agreement between the government parties. As expec-ted, the president is a Gaullist from French Guiana, M Hector Rivierez. A member of the Giscardian UDF and of M Poniatowski's personal staff when he was minister, M Gérard Longuet will probably be elected rapporteur at the next meeting. The vice-presi-dent and secretary of the steering committee are also

Giscardian.

The six representatives of the Opposition have protested against their exclusion from the steering committee. socialists refused the offer of the post of secretary, because the Communists were offered nothing. The Opposition also protested against the commision's refusal to hold its dis-

respectively Gaullist and

cussions in public.
"The determination of the commission to shelve the whole affair is manifest", the three Socialist representatives

The Communists accused the majority of organizing a coverup. To thwart such manoeuvres they would fight for the complete publicity of the meetings, as "the only guarantes it can 'achieve something."

the opposition members as a provocation which could be challenged legally. He had personal ties of friendship with M Poniatowski, and could not be both a judge and purty to the

M André Chevallier, the member of the Paris Court of Appeal entrusted with the supplementary investigation into the Broglie affair last week, heard M Guy Simone, the former police inspector, awaiting trial on the charge of having

organized the murder
During the two-and-a-half
years' inquiry by investigating
judges, M Simone kad judges, M Simone had repeatedly stated that the police had been informed of plans to murder the Prince. According to the two police reports published by Le Canard Enchaine last month which prompted the reopening of the case, the police knew of the threat at least three months before the murder. No one has so far challenged the authenti-

city of the two documents. M Christian Bonnet, the Minister of the Interior, in an Minister of the Interior, in an interview to a provincial newspaper, said that M Jean Ducret, the head of the Paris criminal police, who did not pass on to his superiors the information about the assassination plot, on the ground that it was the "fanciful", had done so on his own responsibility.

"I continue to have confidence in him", the minister said. All the senior officials who had been involved in the

who had been involved in the Broglie case at the time when M Poniatowski was in office were still at their jobs. "They have given me precise evidence which I have no reason whatever to question", M

Germans reassured by a minor agreement on transport links between East and West

Moscow clearly anxious for business-as-usual in Europe

Bonn, May 1 A piece of paper was signed in East Berlin yesterday bring-ing a degree of reassurance to the war-nervous Germans.

In terms of the world crises, the document is a minor one: an agreement between East and West Germany to improve road, rail and canal links between Ber in and the West. But it could not have been

included without the approval of Moscow. It comes, therefore, as another sign that despite the tension elsewhere the Soviet Union wants quiet and stability

In the past weeks, Germans have noted Moscow has been

rareful to differentiate in its going through a period of un-attitudes towards the United usual warmth. States and Western Europe. The Soviet Union has even After the initial freeze on contacts with the West as it adjusted to the apparently unexpected effect of its invasion of Afghanistan, the Soviet pic Games. Union has made it clear that it The only means business as usual in

Thus Mr Andrei Gromyko, the Soviet Foreign Minister, visited Paris last week; the invitation to Moscow for Herr Helmut Schmidt, the West German Chancellor was renewed and the green light given for con-tacts between senior East European officials and the West. East-West German relations are here that tension will not be

Europe.

The Soviet Union has even made remarkably little fuss about the West German Government's decision to recommend a boycort of the Moscow Olym-

The only discordant note has been a particularly virulent attack on West German "military ambitions" by the Soviet news agency Novosti. The Germans are debating whether this was a technical slip-up at Novosti or a subtle attempt to test their reactions; in any it was certainly not an official move.

So there is cautious hope

Europe, undoing 10 years of West German efforts for detente and threatening the West's most vulnerable spot, beleaguered West Berlin.

The reopening of contacts provides the Russians with an opportunity to put their point of view to Western European countries, and thus, indirectly, to Washington. Soviet officials complain to the Germans that there is no one in Washington at the moment to whom they can talk.

Herr Schmidt has repeatedly emphasized the need to restart a dialogue between the two big powers and his forthcoming visit to Moscow might help. At the same time, there is

strong suspicion here, and in the United States, that the Soviet Union is also trying to drive a wedge between Weshington and its European allies.
East European visitors, who are as concerned about the present danger to detente as the West Germans, assure them

that this is not so.

But there are few illusions here that Moscow has had any reason to depart from its purpose of pursuing its ideological ends without necessarily risking the danger of war.

For this reason, among others, the West German Government uses any opportunity to reaffirm its solidarity and reliability as an ally of the United States.



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Kabul clashes between troops and crowds leave 20 reported dead

days, according to reports from travellers in Afghanistan. The disturbances, which left about 20 young people killed, the reports estimated, and some more injured, came as the time was celebrating the second anniversary of the com-munists' initial takeover.

Students numbering between 2,000 and 5,000, according to varying estimates, demonstrated in the main streets, throwing stones at official vehicles, and shouting slogans like "Death to Karmal" and "Death to the Soviets" before they were fired on by Afghan troops and police, and dispersed. At least 300 of the demonstrators are believed to have been arrested.

The demonstrations appear to have been the most serious, according to the eye witnesses' reports, which have broken out reports, when have broken but in the Afghan capital since February's uprising organized by the Afghan Muslim emigré groups based on northern

The students, many of whom are believed to be Islamic mili tants coming from middle class families, showed their resentment of the occupation of their country by Soviet troops.

There were cheers from some of the girl demonstrators when or the girl demonstrators when they recognized the Union Jack flown on the car of Mr. Michael Howell, the British Charge d'Affaires in Kabul, as evewitnesses reported.

The participation of the girls was surprising, although the tactic has been used by Islamic fundamentalists elsewhere in the region in order to show up he security forces as cowards" and "collabora-

Students from Kabul univer-ty and about 12 schools in the capital are believed to have participated in three different demonstrations on Tuesday, perhaps spacked off by the unconfirmed killing of several schoolchildren by Afghan schoolchildren by Afghan troop, in one Kabul school on Sunday, the actual anniversary date of the communists' coup against the former Daoud

The South Korean Govern-

have been sporadic and some-

are demanding greater freedom.

representation on university

councils and an end to the military training that is a com-pulsory part of their university

Dr Kim Ok Gill, the Minister

week would be cut to two rights.

for Education, who has made it

clear that she has considerable sympathy for the demands of

Seoul yields ground over

student military training

During the past mouth there later in the year.

meeting the demands of under review and promised that rebellious students today when the obligatory 10 day training it announced that the control at army camps, which the versial university military trainstudents particularly resent, ing system would be reduced.

times violent student demon that military training for strations, sit-ius and hunger students would not be com-strikes in various parts of the pletely stopped as long as

Prom Richard Wigg
Dohi, May 1
Violent clashes by Afghan students and teenage school girls with the security forces of the Government of President Babrak Karmal have occurred in Kabul during the past few known as the "people's house".

About 200 mainly teenage school ministry of Foreign Affairs in the middle of the capital. After being rurned back they then tried to demonstrate near the former royal palace, now known as the "people's house". being turned back they then tried to demonstrate near the former royal palace, now known as the people's house?

The girls chanted they were "the real men" to the armed guards outside the palace who belong to Mr Karmal's "Par-cham" wing of Afghanistan's two-fectioned Communist Party. A scuffle developed in which six girls were killed, and several more wounded as the guards opened fire, eye wit-nesses said.

The most serious incident however, came when thousands of students of both sexes went to the home of one of the minister's in the Karmai government and many were shot down by the security forces on guard outside.

Soviet troops were said to have conducted security patrols throughout the city on Tuesday, but there were no eye wimess accounts that they took part in the street firings.

Fresh street demonstrations took place yesterday, despite increased patrolling by Afghan and Soviet armoured vehicles

together with more belicopter patrols but there were no report, of casualties. Troops withdraw: Soviet com-

Troops withdraw: Sowiet combat troops who spearheaded the first assault against Afghanistan's tribal-led insurgents have withdrawn from the Kunar valley after occupying it for about six weeks, Pakistan's and insurgent sources reported today (according to Reuter).

They said the bulk of the Soviet force had pulled back to Jalalabad, the main garrison in the area between the Khyber pass and Kabul.

The Soviet withdrawal took place about 10 days ago, the sources said. But they added that small contingents of Afghan and Soviet soldiers remained to patrol a few key "feeder" valleys linking Kunar with Pakistan in the east and Laghman and Parwan provinces around Kabul to the west.

Afghan troops and their Afghan troops and their Soviet advisers who were in Kunar before the offensive have remained in the province's main garrisons at Chagasarei, Baricot and Asmar and air strikes are still being made.

—Reuter.

on-campus drilling

She said the system was

But Dr Kim made it clear

had not received proper mili

tary training, and warned them that any who refused to attend

the drills would be breaking Dr Kim also reminded the



Mr William Vanden Heuvel, American delegate to the United Nations, wipes his face after two men hurled red paint during a Security Council

Bombs break up leftist meeting in San Salvador

San Salvador, May I.—At least hold their meetings, have their eight people were wounded by offices and spray their graffiti machine gun fire in a bombing on its campus.

and shooting attack late last A perrol station attendant night at San Salvador's national working across the street from

university, witnesses said. the university, only two blocks
They said four powerful from the United States embassy,
bombs that went off outside the said he saw three busloads of university's law and economic soldiers drive to the edge of the schools broke up a meeting of campus and fire during the the Revolutionary Democratic attack, but his report could not be confirmed independently.

The skirmish at the university and state which is the confirmed independently. the law school into the dark after the bombs went off. At

least eight people wer wounded, the witnesses said. least The gunfire was so intense I thought we were being invaded by government troops", a wit-ness said. The university has become a refuge for leftists who

Princess arrives to Singapore

country. Students are calling North Korea remained a threat for the resignation of members to South Korea. She reminded of staff who were close to the students that many who had former regime of the late fought in the Korean War had President Park Chung Hee and suffered casuadties because they Singapore, May 1.—Princess Margaret arrived here today from Manila for a four-day official visit. This is her second official visit to Singapore,
The Princess will call on Mr
Lee Kuan Yew, the Prime
Minister, and President Benjamin Sheares. She will also
visit an oil refinery on an offshore island and tour the waterfront.

students of the chaos that followed the student uprising of April 1950 before the regime sympathy for the demands of of President Park took over the students, announced today and urged them to be reason-bat the four hours training a able while asserting their Tomorrow evening Princess Margaret will be guest of honour at a dinner given by President Sheares.

A perrol station attendant working across the street from the university, only two blocks

Those attending the swearing came after leftist guerrillas in ceremony for a university attacked a third military comstudent organization were met mand post in as many days and by machine gun fire from the ruling junta claimed the snipers when they ran outside front and other leftists would be a supported to the left of the left front and other leftists would try to cause bloodshed during May Day celebrations.

May Day celebrations.
At least 12 people were killed in the past 24 hours of fighting between the leftists and the moderate, but weak, military-civilian junta and between right-wing military and paramilitary terrorist groups.

Gandhi Congress gives up his post

Delhi, May 1.—Mr Hemwati Bahuguna today resigned as secretary general of the Congress (I) party of Mrs Indira Gandhi, the Indian Prime Minister, saying that he did not want to be an unwanted guest, the Press Trust of India reported.

He also resigned from the Congress (1) parliamentary board, which is selecting candidates for state Assembly elecsaid that be would continue as an ordinary party member.

delivered and the conclusions of Mr Justice Reeve, and on the question of discretion with the Master of the Rolls, urged strongly that early attention be directed to what Lord Lowry said in relation to the difficult problem thrown up by the appeal. The unsatisfactory state of affairs could, if permitted to continue, substantially erode our pride in the legal ald system.

LORD SIMON said that by an order of the Court of Appeal in 1977 (Hanton u Hanton [1978] I WLR 582) the appealast's former husband after a divorce was

husband after a divorce was ordered under section 24(1)(a) of the Matrimonail Causes Act ordered under section 24(1)(a) of the Matrimonail Causes Act 1973, to transfer to her their former matrimonial home at Waltham Cross, the legal tide of which had previously vested in him and in which the Court of Appeal assumed both parties had some unquantified beneficial interest. Both parties were in receipt of legal aid. The main questions in the appeal were (1) whether (and if so to what extent) the Law Society had a legal charge on the property by

extent) the Law Society had a legal charge on the property by virtue of section 9(6) of the Legak Aid Act, 1974, and the regulations made thereunder hy respect of costs incurred on the wife's behalf-in the proceedings in which she was legally aided; and (2) if so whether it could be transferred to a replacement bome.

The house bad throughout been assumed to be worth about 14,000, subject to a mortgage of pearly 14,000. In 1972 the wife was granted a full legal aid certificate "to prosecute a suit certificate "to prosecute a suit for divorce" and continue an-ciliary matters, she making a

Queen's Bench Division

Discretion on legal aid charges on property contribution of this to the legal aid fund. The marriage was dis-solved in 1974. There were also interlocutory proceedings relating to access and child maintenance. In all the wife was legally sided

Law Report May 1 1980

Before Lord Edmund-Davies. Lord Simon of Glaisdale, Lord Fraser of Tullybelton, Lord Scarman and Lord Lowry.

Legal aid costs of over 58,000 Legal aid costs of over £8,000 resulting from proceedings for divorce begun by a wife in 1972 and culminating in a Court of Appeal order transferring to her the whole legal interest in the former matrimonial home are a first charge for the benefit of the legal aid fund on the value of the house as "property" "recovered or preserved "for her in the proceedings, by reason of the provisions of section 9(6) of the Legal Aid Act, 1974. But the Law Society has a discretion to postpose enforcement of the charge on the house against ker, or accept a substitute charge on a replacement home.

a substitute charge on a replacement home.

The House of Lords so held, expressing the hope that the Law Society would exercise its discretion in the instant case, when they dismissed an interlocutory appeal by Mrs Mary Isabella Hanlon, a legally aided former wife, of Waltham Cross, from the Court of Appeal (the Master of the Rolls, Sir John Arnold, President, and Lord Justice Donaldson) (The Times, December 3, 1979 [1980] 1 All ER 763) which, while differing on various issues, dismissed her appeal from Mr Justice Reeve, who had held that the house, awarded to her as part of a property adjustment order in her divorce proceedings, was subject to a charge in favour of the legal aid tund for 18,025 costs. If, therefore, she sold it, as she wished to do, in order to move into a smaller property, the net proceeds, except the first £2,500 exempt under the Legal Aid Regulations, as amended in 1976, would go, to meer the legal aid fund charge.

Section 9(6) provides: "Except so far as regulations otherwise provide, any sums remaining un-

so far as regulations otherwise provide, any sums remaining unpaid on account of a person's contribution to the legal ald fund in respect of any proceedings and, if the total courribution is less than the net liability of that fund

than the net liability of that fund.

on his account, a sum equal to the deficiency shall be a first charge for the benefit of the legal aid fund on any property (wherever situate) which is recovered or preserved for him in the proceedings."

Under regulation 18(10) of the Legal Aid Regulations, 1971, a section 9(6) charge did not apply to "any property affected by [a property adjustment order] made under the Matrimonial Proceedings and Property Act, 1970," but that concession ceased to apply after August 1, 1976.

Regulation 18(10) of the current Legal Aid (General) (Amend-Legal Aid (General) (Amend-ment) Regulations, 1977, recnat-ing an amendment made in 1976, has the effect that if section 916) has the effect that if acction 916; applies to a property ordered to be transferred under section 24(1)(a) of the Matrimonial Causes Act, 1973 [a property adjustment order], the first £2,500 of the value of any property "recovered or preserved" is exempt from the charge.

Mr Joseph Jackson, QC, and Mr Nicholas Wall for the wife; Mr M. C. Nourse; QC, and Mr Duncan Matheson for the Law Society.

ociety.
LORD EDMUND-DAVIES, concurring with the speeches to be delivered and the conclusions of reasonable that such a legally added lidgant should bear the costs of her success.

of her success.

The issues raised were: (1)
What, if any, property was
"recovered or preserved" for the
wife within the meaning of section
9(6) and the relevant regulations?
(2) In what "proceedings" within
section 9(6) was any property
recovered or preserved? (3) If the
Law Society had a charge under
section 9(6) on the house, had it
any discretion to (a) pospone
enforcement of the charge and/
or (b) transfer the charge to a
replacement home?

The words "property recovered or preserved" in the Legal Aid Act were undoubtedly taken from a succession of Solicitors Acts which gave courts power to award solicitors a charge on "property recovered or preserved". Those words in the Solicitors Acts had been liberally construed; but the same liberally appropriate in a measure-imposing a charge for a social service. They should certainly not be extended should certainly not be extended beyond the ordinary sense appropriate in the context. Till v Till (1984); QB. 558) should be read with that caution in mind.

His Lordship, after reviewing the views of the members of the the views of the members of the Court of Apneal on the words in their present comest, said he agreed with Mr Justice Recei, the Matter of the Rolls and the President that property the subject of a property adjustment order under section 24(1)(a) of the 1973 Act might be liable for the lecal aid charge. That left for consideration

Before their Lordships the Law Society argued that it held a charge for the whole costs; and that it had no discretion not to enforce the charge or to postpone its enforcement (except in so far

what property was recovered or preserved under that provision. The judge, the Master of the Rolls, and Lord Justice Donaldson (in default of acceptance of his primary view that no property was recovered or preserved that the word the word that the word the word that the word that the word the word that the word that the word th to access and child maintenance. In all the wife was legally aided by virtue of the full certificate, as interpreted by the Law Society. In February, 1976 the wife, still held to be legally aided under the same certificate, applied to MC Registrar Kenworthy for, inter-alia, transfer to herself of the matrimonial home. The registrar ordered the transfer subject to the mortgage, the wife to pay the husband a tump sum of £5,000 (in effect buying out what was assumed to be his heneficial interest in the house). She was unable to raise the money; and the house was in need of repair, which was beyond her financial resources. If she house in February, 1976 the Law Society would have had no charge on it for any legal costs incurred on her behalf, the relevant regulation then being that of 1971.

The wife appealed against the resistari's order successfully to hoth Mr. Justice Rees and the perty was recovered or preserved by a property adjustment order) held that in the instant case the whole legal and beneficial interest

whole legal and beneficial interest in the house was recovered by or preserved to the wife, and so subject to the other hand, held that only the husband's interest (which he took to he a bail share) was recovered by or preserved to the wife.

The Master of the Rolls advanced four reasons for rejecting the President's view: (1) the wife's interest had never been ascertained;, (2) Lord Justice Ormrod in 1977 had stigmatized as "doubtfully, accurate" "the common assumption" that "the interest of these two 'parties in their propery was equal"; (3) even if the wife bad had a half their propery was equal" (3) even if the wife had had a lalf share in equity, that half share had gone into hotchpotch so as had gone into hotchpotch so as
to have been in the result recovered by, or alternatively preserved to, her by the court order;
and (4) even if the wife had had
a half share in equity, she had
at 'least' preserved' it by
shielding it "with the protection
of a full legal title",

The wife appealed against me registrar's order successfully to hoth Mr Justice Rees and the Court of Appeal, resulting In the order of October 1977, by which the house was to be transferred to her without her paying anything in return though periodical payments for the children were reduced to a nominal sum.

By then however, the 1971 shielding if "with the protection of a full legal title".

Two of the cases under the Solicitots Acts were of value supported the President's line. In Pinkerton v Easton ([1873] LR 16 EQ 490) Lord Selborne. Lord Chancellor said that whether and what property was recovered or preserved were questions of fact. That case had been cited with approval in Foxon v Gascoigne ([1874] 9 Ch 654), where Sir George Jessel. Master of the Rolls, said; "Where the plaintiff claims property and establishes a right to the ownership in some shape or other, there the property has been recovered: where a defendant's right to the ownership of property is disported, and that tight has been vindicated by the proceedings, there the property has been preserved." reduced to a nominal sum.

By then, however, the 1971 regulation had been amended; an othat the property (less £2,500 of its value) was, the Law Society argued, subject to a charge for costs incurred on her behalf. If so, such costs were made up: (1) divorce proceedings, including application for injunction; £925; (2) custody and access, proceedings f1.150; (3) proceedings under sections 23 and 24 of the Matrimonial Causes Act, 1973, £5.950—s total of £8,025.

Such a charge, together with f5.950—a total of £8,025.

Such a charge, together with the mortgage, amounted to more than the assumed value of the house less £2,500. The Court of Appeal in 1977 refused to backdate its order so as to avoid the charge leaving it to the wife to argue that the house was not subject to a charge for her costs. The wife thereupon took out an originating summons against the Law Society. Mr Justice Reeve held that it held a charge for the full amount of the costs enumerated, less her f115 comribution). The Court of Appeal, though there were dissents on particular issues, upheld the judge.

Before their Lordships the Law

In other words, property had been recovered or preserved if it had been in issue in the proceedings—recovered by the claimant if it had been the subject of a successful claim, preserved to the successful distin, preserved to the respondent if the claim failed. In either case it was a question of fact. In property adjustment proceedings, in his Lordship's view, it was only property the ownership or transfer of which had been in teste which had been ownership or transfer of which had been in issue which had been in issue which had been in recovered or preserved so as to be the subject of a legal aid charge. What had been in issue was to be collected as a matter of fact from pleadings, evidence, judgment, and/or order. There seemed no reason for extending the words to items of property the ownership or possession of which had never been questioned. That construction also seemed to accord with the legal aid scheme structure.

its enforcement (except in so far as would be advantageous to the legal aid fund) or to transfer it to any replacement home. The wife could not keep the house in repair; and if it was sold and the mortgage and the charge came out of the proceeds, she would be unlikely to be able to buy a suitable replacement home: she and the children would then be homeless; so that the main purpose of the Court of Appeal's order would be frustrated.

It had to be remembered, howsccord with the legal aid scheme structure. If therefore it had been conceded that the wife had a beneficial half share of the house, his Lordship would have agreed with the President that it was only the husband's beneficial half share which was "recovered" and would hold that only if it was disputed that the wife had or should retain a beneficial half share would she half share.

But his Lordship differed on the It had to be remembered, however, that a legally aided wife might, in addition to periodical payments, be awarded a very large lump sum and/or a bouse of great value; and it might seem

But his Lordship differed on the application of the President's general approach to the present facts. What was crucial was that at the very outset each spouse was claiming the transfer of the other's interest in the house. The busband's claim was never withdrawn.

On the evidence there was never any real agreement that the wife any real agreement that the wife had a beneficial half or any share in the house: it was at most a hypothesis on which various conincent financial courses would be volved that the house was property which was recovered by the wife (the husband's interest) or pre-served to her (her own interest). His Lordship rejected, as did the Court of Appeal, the contention that the word "proceedings" in section 9(6) ("property . re-covered or preserved for him in the proceedings") referred to the actual proceedings in which any preservation or recovery took place —the proceedings for relief under sections 23 and 24 of the 1973 Act; and that the subsection did not impose a charge for all the costs incurred in all the proceedings which the assisted person undertook on legal aid. Therefore the house was recovered or preserved in the divorce proceedings within the meaning of section 9(6) and the whole ER.025 (loss £115) was a charge on the

Finally there was the argument before the Court of Appeal that the Law Society had a discretion (a) to postpone enforcing the

home.

The Master of the Rolls had held, on the facts, that the world "thay" in regulation 19(2) of the 1971 general regulations dealing with charges on property recovered or preserved ("The Law Society may enforce any such charge fin any manner which would be available if the charge had been given inter partes") gave the Law Society a wide discretion "under which they can and should enforce the charge when it is just and reasonable to do so . . but not when it is unjust and unreasopable". The other two members of the court considered the paragraph did not give discretion to transfer the charge to a replacement house. His Lordship thought it was too narrow to hold that the prime, if not exclusive, duty of the Law Society in exercising its discretion was to the legal aid fund. Its duty was rather to the whole legal aid scheme; and that would concurred consideration, among other factors, of the assisted litigant and of the purpose and result of the litigation; also, in the instant case, of the intermination of the Court of Appeal as manifested in their judgments in 1977. His Lordship would dismiss like appeal but hold that the Law Society had a discredion to postpone enforcement of the chairse on the house and/or to accopt a substitute charge on a replace.

ment home.

He would add two suggestions (1) Any tribunal exercising jurisdiction under sections 23 and 22 should hear in mind the possible effect of a charge arising under section 9(6), if necessary calling on the Law Society for counsel. (2) The appropriate executive and legislative authorities should urgently consider the problem raised in the present appeal arising the legal Aid Act or the regulations that seemed desirable. ment home.

Lord Fraser agreed.

Lord Fraser agreed.

LORD SCARMAN, also concurring, said that the appeal had exposed to public view what family lawyers had known for some time—the existence of a poverty trap set by the legal aid legislation in the very heartland of the modern martimonial law. regislation in the very heartland of the modern matrimonial law. A legally aided wife, whose only provision for her future support was the home awarded to her under section. 24, found its value diminished catastophically by the cherge imposed by law for the benefit of the legal aid fund in respect of the costs of her divorce case. For Mrs Hanlon, a woman of limited means, the charge, when enforced, snapped shut, almost totally destroying her one capital asset. The arthmetic of the case was such that she could not be sure under existing regulations of being left with more than £2,500.

The discretion whether, or not

The discretion whether or not to enforce the charge or how otherwise to manage it, belonger to dismiss the appeal, while ex pressing the hope that the Lat Society would reconsider th matter in the light of their Lord tins' opinions. LORD LOWRY, also concurrin

said that he expressed the hop-that the Law Society would exer-cise the discretion which thei Lordships all believed it had in relation to the charge on the

The object of legal aid was to The object of legal aid was in provide the means of achieving justice through the courts which would otherwise be detiled to persons of limited means. Yet the appellant, who had twice appealed successfully and had ultimately been awarded the sole ownership beed awarded the sole ownership of the matrimonial home, now emerged from litigation so costly indeed ruinous, that if the Law Society decided, as it was en titled to do, to enforce its statu tory charge, she-would no longer have a house for herself and her bildren to live in children to live in

this Lordship was attracted by the Royal Commission's recommendation (Vol I, 13.64) that the matrimonial home should once again be freed from any charge that was done, that reform should be radical. The registrar Tor example, could be treated as an arbitrator whose decision on a section 23-24 application whull be final subject to a case states on a point of law, discussing his proposals with the parties before proposals with the parties before

proposals with the parties before making up his order.

There would be three advant ages: (1) speed and finality, most important both practically and psychologically in matrimonia disputes, especially when the future of children was concerned (2) a saving in time and costs important to the legal aid fund (3) adjudication by a group of experienced judicial officers, whould soon establish a predictable. would soon establish a predictable pattern and thereby conduce t settlement between the parties. Solicitors: Smith & Harrison Waithen Cross; Collyer-Briston

Polish writers protest at publisher's arrest

growing protest, against the arrest at the end of last month, of Poland's leading publisher of unofficial books, magazines and lisher for the Polish distident documents, Mr Miroslaw Cho-movement, jecki, who is now on hunger: Apart from publishing most

Mr Chojecki, a former re-search assistant at the Polish Nuclear Research Institute, was dismissed in 1976 on political grounds. Soon afterwards he loined Nows, an unofficial pub-lishing house established in Lublin, and showed great in-genuity in applying his tech-nical knowledge to improve its printing methods.

An effort to forge a political

front to work for the restora-tion of parliamentary democ-racy is being made by Mr Asghar Knan, president of the defunct Tehrik-i-Istiqlal opposi-

tion party. The former air force chief is reported to have held

talks with several political leaders including Mr Ghaus Pux Bizenjo of Balachistan, in

From Hasan Akhtar Islamabad, May 1

Karachi vesterday.

jecki took charge of the opera-tion, moved it to Warsaw and became virtually the sole pub-lisher for the Polish disbident

of the unofficial literary and political magazines like Zapis. Puls, Krytyka, and the Information Bulletin, he has also published books by Jerzy Andrze-jewski, Witold Gombrowicz, Czeslaw Milosz and Wiksop Woroszylski, as well as by Günter Grass, George Orwell and Isaac Bashevis Singer, last

By Michael Scammell

Documents reaching London indicate that more than 80 tee (KOR) gave Nova a loan is not the first time that crimiPolish writers have joined the of 50,000 zlotys (£882). Mr. Chomal charges have been brought against dissidents, when political charges are thought by the police to be inexpedient or inapplicable. . In March, Mr Edmund Zad-rozynski, a dissident worker,

year's Nobel prize-winner.

Newfoundland to Kenyans warned haul down the Union Jack

was sentenced to three years' imprisonment for petty theft.

Chojecki. Mr Bogdan Grzesiak, was similarly charged with the

theft of a duplicator and subse-

In a recent letter to the

Polish Writers Association 53

quently released.

February an associate of Mr

After being released from Ottawa: May 1.—The Union Jack, which has been hauled down in dozens of former month Mr Asghar Khan an-nounced he would campaign for the restoration of democracy in defiance of a martial law ban British colonies, is about to be scrapped in Newfoundland. Formerly a British colony, Newfoundland retained the on political activity. Besides Mr Bizenjo of the National People's Porty, he has also met Mr Miraj Muhammad Khan of Union Jack as its flag after it ioined the Canadian Confederation in 1949 and became Canada's tenth province. Now Mirai Muhammad Khan of Qaumi Mahaz and Shah Faridul Haq of Jamiatul Ulemai Pakistan, all parties dissolved last October by General Zia ul Haq. the province plans to have its own flag, and the provincial Government has unveiled its proposal to the Legislature The new flag consists of three blue triangles on the left side, like a stylized half of the Union

> a vellow arrow on the right on a white field. The change must be debated and legislation passed before the flag is adopted. But already the design is arousing some praise—and some hostility from traditionalists like the president of the Newfoundland Royal Canadian Legion, Mr Gordon Collins, with spid it was "a slap in the face" for armed forces veterans. Reuter.

Jack, and two red triangles and

the stated reason for Mr Chajecki's arrest. His publishing activity fills a glaring gap, brought about by the censorship", they declared. "For many writers, whose works have been confiscated or banned from publication, the Nowa publishing house offers." the only chance they have of publishing their poems, novels

and essays.

"We would like to draw your attention to the fact that Miroslaw Chojecki, whose honesty and generosity are widely known, has been falsely charged with a theft of which he is not guilty. The real and assiduously disguised reason for this repres-Polish writers have affirmed sion, is his part in the organizathat no one in Poland believes tion of independent publishing." sion, is his part in the organiza-

of action against illegal strikes From Our Correspondent

Nairobi, May 1 Kenyans were urged today to work harder to increase pro-duction, and were warned that action would be taken against illegal strikes, President Moi. addressing a workers' May Day rally, also announced substantial increases in the legal minimum wage, which, employers say, will increase production costs in agriculture

and industry. In Nairobi and Mombasa, the mirimum wage rises from 350 shillings (about £20) to 456 shillings a month. For agricul-tural workers it rises from 175 shillings to 215 shillings. These are the first increases in the minimum wage since in the minimum wage since 1977. Unions have pressed for higher wages to meet rising living costs, which have been increasing steadily in spite of efforts by the Government to

> Foreign Report is on Page 12

hold down the cost of basic

Absent ex-husband not a ratable occupier re-marriage he was liable for the rates: that it made no difference that the house was in their joint names: and that agreement be-

Routhan v Arun District

Before Lord Justice Donaldson and Mr Justice Bristow and Mr Justice Bristow
[Judgment delivered April 30]
The legal fiction that a husband who has left the matrimonial home remains in ratable occupation for the purpose of paying the rates to the local authority should not be extended to divorced fathers in respect of houses in which their children happen to be living.

interes in respect or nouses in which their children bappen to be living. The Divisional Court dismissed an appeal, by case stated, by Mrs Soma Routhan against a distress warrant issued by Arundel, West Sussex, justices for £77 rates due on her home in Lansdowne Way, Anemering, near Littlehampton. Mrs Routhan had been assessed for rates for a period from December 22, 1978, the date on which her divorce was made absolute. On December 21, 1978, her hushand had been ordered to transfer the house from his own sole ownership into their joint names, she undertaking responsibility for continuing the mort gage repayments and their three children, he being required to pay maintenance.

The question of law was whether a former wife living in the former maternously hone with custody of

a former wife living in the former matrimonial home with custody of the children of the marriage after decree absolute becomes the ratable occupier of the property with effect from the date of decree absolute in place of her former, husband. decree absolute in place of her former husband.

Mr Francis Phillimore for Mrs Routhan: Mr Alan Fletcher for the council.

LORD JUSTICE DONALDSON said that in Cardiff Corporation v Robinson (1957) 1 QB 39) the court had held that a husband who left the majorine bearing the court had belief the majorine bearing. who left the marimonal home, but allowed his wife to continue to occupy it reat free was thereby to maintain her and deriving a beneficial use from the house. Accordingly, he continued to be in ratable occupation.

of Hounstow ([1970] 2 QB 3621 an attempt was made to extend that principle. Mrs Mourton claimed that her former husband, who was that her former husband, who was living in Italy, was deemed as a matter of law to be the ratable occupier of what had been the matrimonial home. She failed. Mr Justice Bridge, giving the judgment of the court, said that a husband's obligation to provide a home, and a wife's corresponding right of occupation, derived from the status of marriage and could not survive the dissolution of the not survive the dissolution of the marriage unless arising in a new and different character under an' order of the court or by agree-

and different character under an order of the court or by agreement.

He. added a reservation that while a husband's common law duties to his wife terminated on termination of the marriage, those of a father to his children did not. It was possible to envisage a situation where a father might, after divorce, provide a home for his children in which the mother would live as the person having either custody or care and control. In such a situation it might well be held that the father was the ratable occupier, but that was not Mrs Mourton's case.

In Chelmsford District Council v Curroll (1979 R A 45) a house had been hought after divorce as accommodation for the ex-wise and two young children of the marriage and the former husband had leen ordered to pay maintenance: The court had held the facts insufficient to justify holding the former husband to be the ratable occupier on the hasis of the reservation in Mourton.

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tween ex-husband and ex-wife as to liability to discharge the rates did not bind the rating authority. That was an unsatisfactory decision. Mourton was not mentioned in the judgment, but should have been crucial to the decision. If the court followed the Cardiff case without reference to the limitation placed upon it by Mourton, it clearly fell into error. If it had been confirming the Mourton, it clearly lell into error. If it had been confirming the existence of the exception to the rule in Mourton, which had been reserved for further consideration, it would have referred to Mointon. It was the reservation in Mour-It was the reservation in Mourion which had prompted Mrs.
Routhan's appeal. The concept
that a husband was deemed to
occupy a house when it was of
the essence of the matrimonial
situation that he was not doing
so. was something of a legal
fiction. It was no doubt of great
benefit to wives, since they did
not have to pursue their husbands
for sums equivalent to the rates.
It was no doubt equally dis-

advantageous to rating authoritie and the general body of rational paters, since husbands who were not living in the matrimonic home could be remarkably clusive. In Moueton the court had only on the property of the court had the count had the court had the count had the court had the court had the count had the court had the court had the count had the court had t declined to extend the fiction set to apply it to former husbant and former wives. His Lordshi and former wives. His Lordshi did not think that, as a faction, should be extended to fathers I respect of houses in which the infant children happened to live the emphasized "as a fiction because he accepted that if father made available a house is his possession as a home for h children he might well be th occupier even if his former with happened also to live there lorder to care for the children. That was not the present cas-The right to possession of H The right to possession of the house was vested in Mrs Routha by virtue of a court order man by way of property adjustment in no sense either in fact or I law could the former husband heald to have been in occupation of Justice Bristow agreed.

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Mr Kennedy cites his Senate record to court minority group votes in Texas primary

With the American economy entering a recession, Senator Edward Kennedy is concentrating his final effocts to secure the Democratic presidential nomination on the votes of nomination on the votes of those most affected by rising

prices and unemployment.
Here in Texas, where primarkes will be held on Saturday, he has aimed his limited resources at courting the two resources at courting the two minority groups—Latin Americans and blacks—who comprise almost a third of the state's 12.5 million population. "Quite frankly", he told a radio interviewer this week in Houston, "I think I deserve their, support."

He said that not only had he long fought in the Senate for minority rights but he had also been a strong supporter of bi-lingual education—a necessity

Latter, at a rally outside the city hail, he concentrated his attack on President Carter for reductions in educational grants and bealth programmes for the elderly. His audience listened politely but the occasion lacked the enthusiasm that character-ized earlier meetings in the pre-dominantly Mexican-American cities of San Antonio and Cor-pus. Christi where he was mobbed by enthusiastic suppor-ters.

Mr. Kennedy's main problem his "rose garden" strategy has been President Carter's earlier. Success in lining up the support of most minority leaders in the shows Mr. Carter leading state. With the assistance of Senator Kennedy by 69 per such powerful Texas Democrats cent to 22 per cent among

cratic National Committee, Mr Carter has used the powers of his office to ingratiate himself Mexican-Americans, in

On the day that Senator Kennedy was campaigning this week, for example, Mr Julian Nava, a Californian of Mexican extraction, arrived in Mexico City to take up his new post as States Amba United States Ambassador. Television coverage showing him hugging and kissing relatives from Zacatecas, the Mexican state from which his father emigrated to California, were well received by the Hispanic community in Tetas. President Carter also managed to unstate the Senatur by

resident Carper also main-aged to upstage the Senator by visiting Texas this week to talk to the logured survivors of last week's ill-fated rescue mission. week's ill-fated rescue mission to Iran. The Senator was perticularly irked because he had arranged to be in Mexico City that day for telks with President Jose. Lopes Portillo of Mexico. The media here concentrated on the President's rare unting rather than on scenes of the Senator waving a semborary.

ter will probably not win Saturday's primary as emphatically as he would probably have done had he abandon

paign manager, and Mr John was, however, conducted before White, chairman of the Demo- the Iran rescue mission and Senator Kennedy's: final push for votes and Mr Carter's mar-gin of victory could be

considerably slimmer. Mrs Rosslynn Carter pressed when she visited Houston yes-terday to campaign for her husband. At a press conference she predicted, however, that he would be returned to the White

the Democratic primary here are particularly difficult because of its complexity. First, both the Democratic and Republican primaries are open, which means that the electorate can choose at the last minute whether to vote for a Demo-cratic or Republican candidate. Second, the Democratic vote is in two stages. Texans who want to vote for President Car-

ter or Senator Kennedy must go the polls twice, once in the day to cast their votes in a non-binding preference contest, and again the same evening to vote for the 152 delegates who will represent the state at the Democratic national convention The media will concentrate on the "beauty contest" in assessing which candidate has won but finally it will be the delegate contest that will have.

most significance, although the full results of that contest will not be known until next week.

From Patrick Brogan
Washington, May 1
Miss Meg Greenfield, the
editor of The Washington Past's editorial page, in a column pub-lished in the latest issue of Newsweek, remarks that the present upsurge of support for President Carter cannot last and "I wouldn't be surprised if this whole affair didn't finally do him in "

him in ".

It is almost a throw-away those who showed off fragline, in a long article. Mr
Carter is about in teach the
nadir of his fortunes. He will on Sunday.

scrape home to the Democratic convention in August, bloodied and considerably bowed, with a safe majority of the delegates, his foreign policy in ruins and, in all probability, the hostages still in Iran:

headed by Muslim fanatics like those who showed off fragments of dismembered on Sunday.

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He will be in a far worse state than President Ford was in, in 1976. Mr Ford staged a remarkable comeback, rose sharply in the popularity polls and nearly won the election. But it is a bad precedent, because, after all, Mr Ford lost.

Mr Carter's best hope for recovery was the rescue of the hostages. It would be unjust to suggest, though there are hostages. It would be unjust to suggest, shough there are plenty of people around who do so; that it was attempted to saye the President in the polls, but there can really be no doubt that a successful rescue would have restored him completely to the popularity and confidence he enjoyed in January.

The operative word there is "successful". Mr Cyrus Vance is reported to have feared that

his fortunes with his foreign policy in ruins hostages had been the Iranians would

Congressional friends are pinning their hopes on economic recovery

Americans in Isan, including reporters, and held them hostage instead. The Bani-Sadr Government might not have survived, and whatever its in-sufficiencies it is clearly pre-ferable, from a Western point of view, to a government, headed by Muslim fanatics like

blockade or the occupation of the Iranian oil fields. This is why the European allies are so insistent that Mr Carter must now wait, for however long it takes, and eschew violence.

Senator Edmund Muskie, when he takes over as Secretary of State, may be able to give a policy of patience and diplomacy a chance, and may even be able to persuade the American people that it is the right policy. Pirst of all, however, he will have to persuade the President, and at the moment, Mr Carter is still

National Security Adviser, to the cautious advice from the

Mr Carter's friends in Congress, most notably Mr Tip O'Neill, the Speaker of the on economic recovery. They deny stoutly that the President's economic policy is in dent's economic policy is in ruins, they believe that inflation will be brought under control by the summer (Mr O'Nelli even claims that there will be a negative inflation rate? in August) and that a grareful American people will reelect Mr Carter for slaying the dragon at home, even though be has failed to cope with the one in Qom.

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Mr O'Neill's comments, it is true, were made before the failure of the rescue attempt. Like everyone else, or nearly everyone else, in Congress, he has railied round the President. The period of legislative solidarity is not going to last and Mr Henry Reuss, an influential Congressman and chairman of the House banking committee, has already

He supports Senator Edward

Mr Carter does not seem to year has approved mightily. The only region in which he has not done well has been industrial New England and be the sort of men who would bow to any such suggestion. He wants to be reelected and believes that he can overcome the odds again, as he did to the mid-Atlantic states.

Lenin Prize awarded President Carter is about to reach the nadir of to President Kekkonen

From Michael Binyon Moscow May 1

President Urho Kekkonen of Finland has been awarded the international Lenin Peace Prize, the highest Soviet decoration for foreigners, it was aunounced in Moscow today.

A telegram of congratulation from President Brezhnev and Mr Kosygin, the Prime Mini-ster, said his activity over many years in broadening under-standing and cooperation among nations and in consolidating peace and international security vas highly valued in the Soviet

The telegram cited in particular the role Finland and its president, who is 79, played in organizing the Helsinki Conference on Security and Coopera-tion in Europe, and developing detente on the Continent.

Mr. "Tip" O'Neill: Rallying

win the presidency in the first

Reagan may reveal himself in his true colours to the American people who will recoil, appalled, into the arms of the

The evidence is against them. Mr Reagan has always sailed

under his true colours, and the American electorate so far this

round the President.

The Soviet leaders said the Paasikivi-Kekkonen line" adline ad-friendship vocating strong friendship between Finland and the Soviet Union enjoyed well-deserved prestige in the world. The policy of peaceful co-existence of states with different social systems was vividly reflected in Soviet-Finnish relations.

The Russians have particu-larly appreciated Finland's refusal this year openly to con-demn Soviet intervention in

President Kekkonen received his prize together with a French and a Venezuelan writer, an Egyptian opponent of President Sadat, and Mr Le Duan, the

South Africa transferring more powers to Namibia

rhannesburg, May 1 Mr Pleter Botha, the Prime Minister, today made clear South Africa's intention to go alread with plans to grant some executive powers to a new body established by the (South-West Africa) National (South-West Artica)
National Assembly, which has
unly limited legislative powers.
The new body will be given
some control over defence.
Mr Botha, who is also
Minister of Defence, said in
Parliament today that South
Africa was openated to hand Africa was prepared to hand over a large slice of the Admin-istration of Namibia, including

elements of the security forces, to "a body that could govern He said a body had to be set up in Windhoek which was capable of governing the country. Such an organization would play a prominent role in the defence of Namibia, a function which the military could not be responsible for on its own. He said South Africa was prepared to transfer the Namibian forces which had been trained by South Africa and place them under the

authority of the new governing eral, whose role is similar to that played by Lord Soames during the transitional period in Zimbabwe. The National

Assembly, which comprises 50 members, most of whom belong to the multi-ethnic Democratic

Turchalle Alliance, plays a largely advisory role. Mr Botha's announcement Mr Botha's announcement today will be seen at the United Nations as a further indication that South Africa is planning its own style of "UDI" in Namibia rather than go along with the United Nations settlement plan. which has been gathering dust for almost two years. However, South Africa has consistently denied that it was contemplate

ing a UDI. Later this mouth South Africa is expected to give its reply to a United Nations proposel to establish a demilitarized zone long the border between Nami bia and Angols, an area where an increasingly bloody bush war is taking place between guer-rillas belonging to the South West Africa People's Organiza-tion (Swapo) and the South African Defence Force:

Mr Botha also announced today that South Africa has de-veloped its own artiflers inisalle system which, he said, is, designed to counter Soviet rocket systems. It is understood body.

All executive powers in system similar to the Sovie.

All executive powers in system similar to the Sovie.

Namibia are in the hands of "Stalin's organ". During the Professor Gerrit Viljoen, the South African invasion: of Angola in 1976, it was found the South African forces. that the South African forces had no weapon to match the Studin's organs being used by the Cuban troops.

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Eskimos preparing to fight for their rights in Quebec

From Anne Penketh Montreal, May 1

Quebec's Inuit—Eskimo-population will be holding its own referendam on May 14, one week before the Quebec govern-ment's referendum on sover-cianty association, which the Inuit call "a matter for immi-

The Makivik Corporation, formed to represent the interests of the luuit, will ask them for authority to negotiate constitutional rights with both the federal and provincial

governments.

Mr Charlie Watt, Makivik's president, explained that while the Inuit wished to keep their separate identity they still feel attached to Canada. "We don't went to be represented by the government of Quebec. We want to represent ourselves. We are Inuit but we are also We are Inuit but we are also Canadians. The people here don't want to separate."

Quebec's Indian population is equally concerned by the impli-

cations of the referendum on May 20 and consequently a majority of the 35,000 Indians

will not be voting. Like the Inuit, the Indians feel that the referendum is a matter for Quebeckers.

Mr Andrew Delisle, the president of the Federation of Indians of Quebec—representing 10,000 Huron, Mohawk and Micmic Indians—is adamant that his people should remain

abolished. We belong to the Mohawk nation and we can't belong to Canada and the Mohawks. That's how national-

istic we are."
At present the Indians enjoy a special status in Canada. They allowance from the federal Government as long as they do not stray from their reservaspecial status might be threat-ened if they voted in the

outcome of the referendum, it to the native people of Quebec demands will continue unabated

Increasing American use of island base confirmed

By George Clark Political Correspondent

Mrs Thatcher confirmed in a letter to three Labour MPs yesterday that since the worsening of the Middle East crisis the British island base of Diego Garcia in the Indian Ocean has been increasingly used as a staging base, for American air ad naval forces.

She was replying to a request for information sent on Tuesday by r Eric Heffer, MP for Liverpool, Walton, Miss Joan Lestor, MP for Eton and Slough, who are members of the party national executive, and Mr Tam Dalyell, MP for

West Lothian: the crisis began to worsen over five month and, the United States considerably reinforced its military presence in the Indian Ocean and Aravian Sea. "As a consequence, there has, in this period, been a very large number of movements of United

States ships and are aft of many

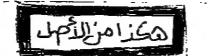
types to and from Diego Garcia rolved regular use of the re-fuelling, anchorage and airfield facilities there. The United States naval tasck forces in the area have, for example, been reguarly supplied with stores

equipment and spares.
"This high level of move-ment continued dirough the period of immediately before the United States attempt to rescue their hostages in Iran and thereafter.

The Labour MPs regard this passage as being of great importance. It does not confirm that the jointly run base was actually used by the American rescue force but only that the high level of activity continued right

through the crucial period.

Mrs Thatcher also pointed ou that, in accordance with the terms of the 1976 agreement on the support facility in Diego Garcia, the United States commanding officer had kept the officer-in-charge of the British clement on the island informed



Mr Manley stays cool in spite of economic crisis

Elagiton, May 1 Mr Michael Maniey the Prime Minister of Jamaica, snares with his country a resilience which both need in abundance if they are to stay affoat. Jamaicans have, for the most part, managed to keep surpris-ingly philosophical amid severe food shortages, inflation and unemployment. The difficulties have even given rise to a clutch of plays, songs and satirical reviews which mock them. Equally, Mr Manley, still not

showing his 55 years, remains collected and confident in the face of the deepening political and economic dangers threatening him and Jamaica. He still believes, ogainst the evidence of the opinion polls, that he can lead his People's National Party to victory at the election

due in late summer.

"It will be a tough struggle", he conceded in an interview, "but we can win it with hard work, and if we explain to the people how to distinguish between those problems that you can blame the Government for and those which are a result of developments on the international scene ".

He called the election after Jamaice's latest drawing arrangement with the International Monetary Fund was cancelled owing to failure to pass one of the periodic tests. The country needs to argue. over the question of the basic economic policy and take a decision", he said. The decision which Mr Man-

ley and his Cabiner took soon after calling the election was to break off negotiations for a new IMF arrangement. The terms the Fund was seeking to impose would have meant cuts in social services and the dismissal of about 10,000 government workers.

experience with the IMF has left him questioning rue-fully whether its operating methods make it a suitable instrument for belping devel-

oping countries.
"I don't think we would do it again" he said. "The IMF" it again", he said: "The IMF ment to buy fertilizers, tractors, prescription for an economy spare parts and raw materials that is out of balance is really needed by its agricultural indus-

"They try to impose in a short period of time a form of economic medicine really designed for a type of economy markedly different from a Third. World economy. It is based on the assumption that you have a fully developed productive capacity already place."

The medicine is to introduce inflation to countrol internal demand and to devalue the currency to make exports competitive. "This involves a sudden sharp drop in the standard of living but in a year or so everything is fine."

Jamaica, while suffering the cid not have the productive capacity to take advantage of export opportunities. The importation of new productive capacity would have been impossibly expensive just because of the enforced devaluation.

Moreover, developed countries obliged to take such a course have social welfare systems which can alleviate the mevitable consequent hardship. "You can't look back at any IMF programme in a developing country which you can say has been a success," Mr Manley said.

"The medicine can't get the patient, better in a year or so in other words, the economy isn't powerful enough to respond to the carrot and stick of the IMF within a foresecable period of time, and meanwhile you have put the people through a heavy social catastrophe and acute suffering: "The IMF will be a source

of complete economic disaster in the Third World unless it has w look at it itself." A further problem is the IMF rule that limits the amount of

foreign exchange lent to countries in trouble. If Jamaica could have had \$150m (£70m) at the beginning of the agree-

predicated upon the experience and the possibilities of developed economies.

"They try to impose in a short period of time a form of economic medicine really designed for a type of economy system is not an umbrella for. bad weather," Mr Manley said. "I prefer to call it a parasol

for the good weather.

"If you're like Mexico and strike oil, everybody wants to lend you money. If we had struck oil at any time during the second terrible IMF programme, we would have got all the loans we needed." His final objection to the IMF is their practice of cancel-ling foreign exchange facilities as soon as one test is failed. "It

as soon as one test is tailed. "It is an outrageous concept." he said. "As soon as you halt the drawing you send the economy into a tail-spin. It is an act of almost calculated brutality."

Air Manley is not sure whether the fact that Jamaica has embraced a socialist (even if only moderately so) path of if only moderately so) path of development led the IMF to pick on it as an example to others. In any event, he would

like to see a new institution formed to provide Third World countries with the foreign ex-change they need. The Opposition, Mr Edward Seaga's Jamaica Labour Party, is convinced that the advocacy of socialism has deterred many companies and governments from investing in Jamaica. This view was strengthened by a speech last week from the United States Ambassador in Guyana, who said that countries which did not welcome private

enterprise could not expect as much help from the United States as those which did. Mr Manley was surprised by that speech. "It is not for me to tell another country what to do," be said. "But I can only say I think it is short-

"The test should be whether a society is democratic, whether responds to the wishes of its people and whether it is trying to represent the interests of

"Any policy that makes the

Algeria's future threatened by past A worried President Bend-jedid Chadli of Algeria will sit

down next Tuesday to study a report on an ancient minoricy language and folklore. Fie will not, however, be seeking a cultural break from the pressures of government. He will be wrestling with a problem which, he believes, not only threatens his rule but might result in a total collapse of order in the already seriously troubled north-western corner of Africa. The language and folking are those of the Berber people. The language is one of the oldest and smallest in the world—old because it was in use over 3.000 years before the birth of Christ; mall because it comprises only 3,500 roots, giving a total voca-bulary of scarcely 20,000 words. It is small today, too, because only about eight million people in the world use it as an every-

day language. They are for the most part split up into small TIZI OUZOUS Algiers Aumale 0 100 miles

groups living in the mountain and desert strongholds of North Africa to which their ancestors retreated in the face of numer-

ous invasions. A large proportion of these Berbers live in Algeria, a group of nearly four million out of the country's rotal population of 18 million. Their chief town is Tizi-Ouzoui in the mountain fastness of the Kabylies, less than 100 miles from Algiers.

Towards the end of last

month the town was sealed off by the Algerian authorities when violent rioting broke out there. Shops were ransacked, cars burned and, according to

unconfirmed reports, up to 30 people were killed.

This violence arose out of attempts by police to evict students from the town university. They had been occupying the buildings for a fortnight to the language of the lang claim recognition for the lan-guage and cultural heritage of the Berbers. The local support they appeared to be enjoying increasingly emberrassing

to the Government. The Berbers have felt their culture to be under increasing attack in recent years. chair in Berber at the University; of Algiers was withdrawn in 1973. A folklore group formed by members of the Tizi-Ouzoui Football Club was unblot to get bediene in Algaria able to get booking; in Algeria although . it won international acclaim. A play by a Berber

writer was banned. While Berbers felt their language was being suppressed the Government was cementing ties with the Arab world by making Arab the official language and obliging school-children to learn it. Berbers very different people and, they claim, more of an indigenous race than the Arabs.
They have long nurtured a reseatment that having rid North Africa of European colonialists the new govern-ments sought links with the Arab "colonialists" of previous centuries rather than returning to their historic Berber roots One of the leaders of the rising against the French in Algeria in 1954 was, in fact, the Berber chief Air Ahmed. In 1963 he went into open rebel-lion when Mr Ben Bella was President in protest at the "Arabization" of the new country and to campaign for a socialist state.

The President sent a tough young colonel called Hovari Boumédienne to crush the revolt and Air Ahmed fled to exile in Europe, from where he has continued to attract Berber dissidents to his cause and to command some influence in the Berber territories. The colonel. when he became President, was able by his tough reputation to keep the Berber question sub-

President Chadli, however lacks his predecessor's forceful reperation. Moreover, the Ber-hers, while a race apart, have succeeded in hecoming Arabired and have infiltrated the most senior levels of administration in the new Algeria—not, it seems certain, because they want to stage a revolution but because their native talents cannot fail to be recognized. does mean, however, that the President now finds himself relying on Berbers, while a great number of the better edu cated people in the country are also from the ancient desert

stock. Among them is the lawyer Ali Yahia Rachid, who has been attracting growing responsible support with his campaign for a national Berber identity for Algeria.

Linking this movement with
the challenge in earle from Air

Ahmed, the President and his advisers have therefore come to believe that there is an attempt being made by outside power -notably France-to interfere country. For the integrity of Algeria to be preserved, he had sought to strengthen the Arab ties, while denying the Berbers easy access to their main unifying weapon—their lan-

guage
The Berber question is certain to be in the forefront of politi-cal discussion in coming weeks. Algerian support for the Polisario in the Western Sahar. has meant that relations with Morocco are always dangerous. The Earliers are dominant in Abrocco and might welcome the chance to help their blood-benthers in Algeria, should they feel it necessary

Ian Murray

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Today King Birendra is ask- that." ing the people to vote in a referendum whether they want big neighbours and pro-Peking system and to what extent they to make a break opting for a communists are among the share the young school-Western parliamentary system political forces active "under-teacher's belief that a multi-based on a multiplicity of ground" because the King's party system will give them political parties or to keep the referendum has not ended the power to curb corruption. pyramidical national council system, the Panchavar.

rramidical national council ban on all political parties, stem, the Panchavar. India is the other big neigh-Fewer than 1,000 dignatories bour and the Nepali Congress participated, voting indirectly, Party, the main political force under the old system: more seven million Nepaleso aged over 21 con have their

Whatever the outcome of the vote, and the politicians' and courtiers' manipulations after the verdict, it is obvious a process of change has begun in one of the world's last feudal monarchies.

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still headed by Mr B. P. Koriala, who was Prime Minisstill ter during the parliamentary interlude, may suffer from an "Indian model". The Pan-chayat system has been repre-sented by the Government dur-ing the referendum campaign as a sturdily national plant to he preferred by all patriotic Novalese over eny foreign

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power to curb corruption. The hill people, as they are known, may, however, prefer poll the Panchayar system, commanded by the revered figure of the King, even though it has done little enough for them, to a plethora of hungry Asian

politicians. The villagers, remote from the politically aware urban centres, obviously aware urban centres, obviously know of the corruption of officials. And the King's many visits up country have never really taken him close to the

But during the referendum who say "yes" to the Panchayat system that it will be
reformed, but his decision to
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of modifying his commitment to the Third World and the

new international economic order (NIEO) to appease poten-tial investors. "There is no hope for the Third World in

the long run if we don't make the changes we struggle for in the NIEO—and we are suppor-

ted in this by the Brandt

He is encouraged by the fact that Mr. Edward Heath, a member of the Brandt Commission, whom he calls "the finest kind

of Conservative", can, when out of office, look at the issue

dispassionately and subscribe to a report which supports much of what Mr Manley and

other Third World leaders have been advocating for years.

"Ir shows that we are not just a bunch of people spout-

ing oratory and rhetoric", he

Though he hopes that his party will win the election, he is willing to discuss the prospect of defeat and what will happen

to him afterwards. "I would try, to discover the party's genuine feelings," he said. "I

would not try to hold on to power if they did not want

His magnetism makes him a

potent electoral asset and it is unlikely that he would be asked to step down. If he were, I asked, would he be available

for an international post, where

he could pursue his campaign for the NIEO?

"I would be surprised if the struggle could be assisted much

from an international position." said. "It has to be worked

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Mr Manley has no intention

It was Nepal's students who led last year's disturbances which brought on the referendum. The students have been "indoctrinated" as much by a system that has failed to serve the longer term national in-terest as by Peking or Moscow propaganda or funding. Like other educated people, they have seen international aid, now about 60 per cent of Nepal's budget, being used overwhelmingly to benefit the already privileged.

Mrs Gandhi, however, has secretly sent Mr Yashpal Kapoor, her political factorium to reassure King Birendra that India is supporting him. Mr Koirala blundered by over-identifying himself with the previous Janata Government. In the town of Pokhara pretension has been high. with one serious clash between Mr Koirala's supporters who had an effigy of the Panchayat

system they wanted to burn and local "yellows" who were demonstrating for the old sys-tem. One person was killed and four seriously injured in police shooting.
The King's referendum after

not consulting the people for almost 20 years is likely to cause further violence after the poll result is announced. How the King, who has been identified with the Panchayat system for years and paraded-as its "masshead" by Mr S. B. Thapa, the Prime Minister, can control that violence will be decisive for his own and

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Peasants find one high-yield crop

Illicit wealth simmers in Peru

At Ayaviri station, high in the desolate Peruvian Altiphano, ragged children clambered on hoard the train waving oranges and sweet corn, their stout mothers behind them: An old Quechua woman tinus, ers and socks towards a fourist couple crooning "Alpaca, couple crooning alpaca".

They were unimpressed and the women sold nothing. Alongside the station the mud houses merged into the endless plain, occasionally ecrarched by furrows and dotted with

"They can't live by wraving anymore-now they're all cooking cocaine", my Peruvian friend said. She was referring refineries that are now the means of livelihood for many Indians, replacing agriculture

The rising expectations of the Indians, faced with the austerity of their lives, has caused this change. Agricultural prices are state-controlled, but manufactured goods and transport costs rise almost weekly, preventing the pea-sants from earning a decent living from their crops. Moreover, the soil is poor and crops grow unwillingly.

grows readily at the most each gram costs about £43, barron heights and needs little despite adulteration by "cuts" attention. Revered by the In-dians for centuries for its stim-In the Department ulant and hunger-suppressing on the shores of Like Titicaea, effects, the plant now promises wealth to the impoverished in-

The kitchens are in cottages or backyards, although in Bolivia they are mobile, hidden in lorries. The equipment is simple—oil drums, a few chemicals, paraffin and a fire. Bushels of coca leaves are displayed in paraffin and bydroch. solved in paraffin and hydroch-loric acid, heated and stirred, eventually producing pasta (naste) which is then washed in ether or acetone to yield powdery white cocaine.
For this work the peasant receives the equivalent of 14.30, better than the average

daily wage of about 35p. He may produce kilograms of cocnine, which goes to the dealer. This man supplies the chemicals, and perhaps some of the leaves, and lives in tawn. He is well off, selling cent of the cocaine is exporting cocaine in Peru for about ted, as few Peruvians can 26.45 la gram—an enormous afford it.

Possibly the local police turn but the Peruvian sole is not, at a blind eye: the business supplies to the business supplies the business supplies.

least not by the dealers in quantity.

Cocos, the source of cocaine, reaches New York or Berlin,

In the Department of Puna, lake. No buses run there, and the dirt road is closed by a chain. Men lounging near by mutter: "No entry".

This peninsula, controlled by the Peravian underworld, is the site of many kirchens. No Civil Guard has visited it for years; the last occasion pro-duced nothing but sniper fire. Since then the Civil Guards in Puno have become the richest all Peru, a waiter says. Even the presence of the PIP, the secret police, merely keeps the kitchens outside the town limits. Transport is by the back roads at night.

The dealers invest much of their profits in legitimate enterprises, particularly clubs and restaurants, and 90 per

ports many poor peasants who might otherwise become disaf-By the time the cocalne fected and listen to the radical

The dealers invest in local, tax-able enterprises and most of the drug is exported. But the growing number of Peruvian pastaleros or pasta users, may change this laisser faire attitude, particularly as the smoker of pasta can seriously

The Government restricts but these can be got through the use of front men. An anriropology student, 'iving with Indians in Tirapata, was asked to buy chemicals for "photo-graphy" on his next visit to Lima, but saw through the ruse. Checkpoints on major roads are avoidable and cocaine is highly compressible.

smugglers are buying in Peru. Europe or America. While Western governments deplore the trade, the Peruvian

Daniel Richardson

damage his health.

Much of the cocaine will go to Colombia, the "Snowmar-ket", but more independent avoiding the increased cost of the Colombian connexion (11) per gram), and flying direct to

peasant digging with his foot-plough no doubt dreams of the chance to buy a lorry, the key to wealth in the Andes.

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'Transfer fee' of £1.8m brings American investment banker to head of steel corporation

Amid interruptions and laughter from the Opposition benches, Sir Keith Joseph, Secretary of State for Industry, announced the ap-pointment as chairman of British Steel Corporation of Mr Ian Mar-Gregor, who has a parecepting egor, who has a partnership in New York-based investment bank which will receive payments to compensate them for losing Mr

MacGregor's services.
Mr John Silkin, chief Opposition spokesman on industry, described the statement as "staggering". They were talking, he said, about a transfer fee of nearly £2m.
Sir Keith Joseph agreed amid renewed laughter that it was a transfer fee and added—Perhaps the bigger the transfer fee, the better the player. tter the player. Keith Joseph sald : Sir Charles Villiers, whose term of office ends in September, has tackled the difficult task of adapting BSC to changing market conditions with energy and dedication. I am glad to pay tribute to his work and to express our appreciation of it.

As his successor I have appointed Mr Ian MacGregor. He will tomorrow join the BSC board as a part-time deputy chairman.

Sir Charles Villiers and I are agreed that new short appreciation. Sir Charles Villiers and I are agreed that, now that a successor has been appointed, it would be best if he were to take on the job as chairman with the minimum of delay. Mr MacGregor will therefore become chairman on a full-time basis on July 1.

Air MacGregor was born in Scotland but has speat most of his working life in America where

chief executive of AMAX, the metals and natural resources company, from 1966 to 1977 and remains on that board. He has many other appointments, including depaty chairman of BL, director of the LTV corporation, a large steel producer, and a partnership in Lazard Freres and Company, a New York-based investment bank.

In Mr MacGregor I believe that we have found a man with the qualities needed to lead BSC out of its present difficulties. Mr MacGregor's personal salary will be paid by BSC at the appropriate rate based on the recommendations of the review body on top salarles—currenty £48,500 a year.

Mr MacGregor has comunicments

Mr MacGregor has commitments as a senior partner to Lazard Preres, but they have agreed to release him in return for certain fluancial conditions. These confinancial conditions. These conditions comprise two elements: the first is a payment to Lazard Freres of 5575,000 for the three years of the appointment, two thirds of which will be returnable pro rata if he completes less than three years; the second involves payments, again to Lazard Freres, in the range of nil to \$1,150,000, linked to the performance of BSC under Mr MacGregor's chairmanship.

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These performance payments would be made in 1984 and 1985 and would be related to certain performance criteria to be agreed between the Department of Industry and Lazarda. The level of the performance payments will be assessed by a performance review committee, comprising two persons nominated by me, two persons by

Lazards, with an independent chairman acceptable to both. During the period of his appointment, Mr MacGregor will cease to be an active partner in Lazard Freres but will become a limited partner with a reduced interest in the firm. On taking the post of chairman of BSC he will relinquish most of his current directorships. including that of BL, but I have agreed that he should continue his long standing limbs with AMAX. I should make it clear that the MacGregor except in so far as they contribute to Lazard Freres' pro-fits, in which be retains a small share. Their purpose is to com-pensate Lazard Freres for losing the business services of Mr Mac-Gregor. I should also emphasize that they are substantially condi-tional on his serving for the full three years and achieving results.

We have been prepared to secure the release of Mr Mac-Gregor because the willingness of a man of his calibre to be chairman of BSC reflects our belief that the current problems can be solved, the corporation restored to profitability as an efficient producer of steel and become a secure employer. For the Government to set finan-

ror ine coveriment to set man-cial targets is not enough; we must also seek to appoint people capable of achieving those targets. In appointing Mr MacGregor, that is what I believe that I have done and I am sure that the whole House will wish him success in his difficult task at BSC.

Man of proven performance: good value for Britain if he succeeds

kin. chief Opposition spokesman on industry, said-Regardless of Air MacGregor's suitability for this post, on which we will no doubt suspend our judgment until the name comes, is not this the most staggering stotement this House has board in a long, long time?

What we are talking about is a transfer fee which, when you work nut the reward to Mr MacGregor himself, comes to nearly £2m. Does Sir K2ith Joseph invisage a signing ceremony? If so, on which pitch—Shotton, Corby or half of Lianwern?

Mr MacGregor will serve until his seventieth birthday, five years after steel workers have finished their contract. He and Lazard Freres are offered this money at a bine when the steelworkers still remember an offer of 2 per cent because, according to Sir Keith Joseph, the industry could not affered by

On what authority is this payment to be made and what vote is it to come under? What are these performance criteria on which so rge a sum is to be given to these American bankers at his behest? Are they to be for improving industrial relations? If so, Mr Mactregor's statement in the news-paper this morning that he reckons he can take on Mr Bill Sirs is not the most hopeful war of estballshne industrial relations.

Are the criteria to be improved (ce) production? If so, when we m between 12 raillion tonnes, maybe the loss of steel will be the criterion.

Sir Keith Joseph—I would have thought it would be common ground that the BSC chairmanship is an imporant and responsible job, If the new chairman succeeds with the help of all those conrith the lielp of all those con-cerned in converting the present situation into a success, then any payment made on his account, not recessarily to him, will be good value for the country and all those who work in the steel industry and use fre produces.

Mr MocGregor is a man of pra-ven performance. He is subject to a partnership agreement and it was up to his partners to decide if they would release him. They have done on the conditions I have explained.

This is, as Mr Slikin said in the only valid comment he made, a transfer fee. Perhaps, the bigger the transfer fee, the better the player, (Laughter.) The bulk of the money will only he paid depending on performance. It will not, except for the salary fannounced, go to Mr MacGregor himself except for his share as a

profits.

The cost of the transfer payment

will not fall on the BSC but on my department or on the Excbequer. (Interruptions.)
Certainly, it will fall on the tax-payer but the bulk will only be paid according to performance.
On the performance criteria, workers in the industry stand to benefit by having an effective and successful chairman. The criteria still have to be defined. They will include not only the financial performance but other matters like strength of management, stability of industrial relations, success in the export market and producti-

Mr Silkin—What is the authority for payment? Does he believe that industrial relations are going to be improved by a man whose first statement is that he is going to take on a trade union leader with whom he will have to work?

Sir Keith Joseph—The Authority is the agreement of my colleagues on action which is within our power. I am sure that what he is quoting is taken totally out of context of his character or views. Mr David Steel, Leader of the Liberal Party (Roxburgh, Selkirk and Peebles, L)—It is a thousand

pities that the appointment of a man of Mr. MacGregor's abilities should be clouded by the facical nature of the arrangements that the Secretary of State has announced, including the setting up of a mini-committee to decide precisely what those arrangements

Has he stopped to think what the effect will be on the climate of pay negotiations of arrangements of Sir Keith Joseph—I would have thought that the House would

appreciate the importance of gerting the best man for this job. All that has not been agreed is the criteria by which any payment by the taxpayer for performance will be paid.

The taxpayers' money is not to be used except as performance jus-

Mr Jonathan Aitken (Thanet, East, C)—However excellent the quali-ries of Mr MacGregor may be, the Gilbert and Sultivan complexity of the deal with Lazard Freres is so open to misunderstanding and rid-cule that many of us will have the greatest possible difficulty in supgreatest possible diff porting him on this.

Sir Keith Joseph—I am disappointed that he should take this view. Where there is an obligation by the man concerned—as there is in this case because he is subject to a partnership agreement if he wants to leave—there can be conditions imposed by his partners.

I have judged this the best man available for a vital national task and the transfer fee seems to be to be totally justifiable;

Sir Anthony Meyer (Flint, West. C)—If Mr MacGregor can achieve the kind of results for British Steel which Sir Michael Edwardes has achieved for British Leyland, he will be cheap at the price. He will be cheaper at a much larger price. The price in any case by comparison with what is paid in football transfer fees is not excessive.

Would be confirm Mr MacGre-for will be at liberty to to put orward plans for a reduction in forward plans for a reduction in the rate of phasing out of the capacity of British Smel provided that these plans result long-term in no great cost to the texpayer Sir Keith Joseph—He has made sensible and justifiable comments. It would be for Mr MacGregor to form his own judgments and proposals and I shall hope to hear from him to due course.

Mr Peter Emery (Houlton, Can be tactfully assure the l senior manager who. British orien tated, could be attracted to comand undertake this task and would be willing to undertake if as a service to this country?

One of the problems is that so much abuse is poured on the chairmen of nationalized industries by the press and public that many senior executives no longer feel that they can undertake this task. Sir Keith Joseph-He has put his that are recommended by the mp salary review body hear little rela-tion to some of the salaries in the world market. Mr MacGregor is mking on this job at the salary the present chairman gets.

His only additional benefit is a share as a limited partner in the profits of a partnership which is hypothetical and cannot be known predicted by us.

I have been involved in the search for a new chairman for BSC when Sir Charles Villiers should come to the end of his tenure for nine or 10 months. A couple of scores of names have been considered, several of them considered seriously. seriousiv.

One or two people who would have been highly suitable and were active in British industry found it, in the event, impossible or wrong in their judgment to extricate themselves from their present responsibility.

This is the best man available and I judged it to be greatly in the interest of BSC and all those concerned with it, that he has accepted the responsible task.

Mrs Thatcher proud of the Government's first year

There were noisy exchanges at frade unionists were against the Prime Minister's question time when Mrs Thatcher said that she was proud of her Government's shows coormous common sense that by next November the coffice.

The exchanges about Mrs Mrs Chemois Skinner (Bolsover, Lab)

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The exchanges about Mrs
Thatcher's first year of office as
Prime Minister began when Mr
Michael Foot, Deputy Leader of
the Opposition (Ebbw Vale, Lab)
asked if she had read the "magnificent May Day issue of the Dally
Mirror." already (he added) that it should be read by all members of her Cabinet, wet or dry? (Laughter). Mrs Thatcher—I have glanced at the Dally Mirror. I noted in it a picture of shoes which were kept at a school in the Wirral for the

at a sknool in the worst for the children to wear. I made inquiries. There has been no change in practice in that school since the election. (Conservative laughter and cheers).

downment's shows coormous common sense first year of the part of those being called upon for a day of action. In Dennis Skinner (Bolsover, Lab)

—As a wife and a mother who only glances at the Dallo Mirror from time to time, is she proud of the fact that she has cheated the old-age pensioner by introducing the 54-week year in the current session? Is she proud of having punished schoolchildren by pushing the price of school meals through the

(Lord interruptions.)

Mrs Thatcher—I rather thought that under a Tory Government, according to reports, some miners are receiving some £10,000 a year. (Conservative Cheers.) Sir Paul Bryan (Howden, C)—As that under a Tory Government, she rightly only glanced at the Daily Mirror would she look more carefully at The Sun, which revealed that 85 per cent of the population and 75 per cent of record during the last year.

allowance.
I am proud that next year two
million needy people will have
received help with their fuel bills,
20,000 more in real terms than in
the last year of the previous
previous. I am proud that we have cut the standard rate of income tax by three pence, proud we are going to give compulsory rights roof?

Is she proud that she is seeking and proud we have got the rewerge upon the miners by removing state liability from the pneumocomosis schemes and the voluntary retirement scheme?

Is she proud that at the general election she led a party that peddled a park of lies? (Loud interruptions.)

Mrs. Thatcher—I rather thought

much does she enjoy the prospect of cutting unemployment benefit in real terms by 5 per cent, and cutting by a similar amount the benefit paid to pregnant women, and cutting the benefit paid to invalids in real terms?

Mrs Thatcher—It was right this

ployment benefit by some 5 per cent below the level ir would otherwise have been, it is right to have a larger difference between those in work and those out of work.

Mr Foot—Is she so proud of the cuts in real benefits that she had carried through in the last two budgets that she will publish a Is she proud that she has pushed up the inflation rate to 20 per cent and that the unemployment figures have gone up to over 1,500,600, and that the mortgage rate has gone up to 15 per cent? since the day of action will be partly a protest against all this, would she advise us to whom we should send the protests—the Secretary of State for Industry, Chaucellor of the Exchequer; or Number 10 Downing Street? (Labour cheers.)

Mrs Thatcher—I am proud of the Government's record as a whole, including the fact that in spire of

Air Foot-May I congratulate her on the settlement of the Rhode-sian problem? We were all glad to see it because that represented real U turn on the part of the Government.

Is she still proud of the speech

she delivered in Australia on this subject? Mrs Thatcher-Yes, 1 ours Tuatener—ves, occause in mar speech in Australia I said that the sanctions matter would be resolved by November—and it was. (Conservative cheers).

Mr Ivor Stanbrook (Bromley, Orpington, C)—Will she consider warning the TUC in connexton with the call-out of their members on May 14, that neither the last nor the Government will protect them he one ponny from action for by one penny from action for damages which might result? Mrs Thatcher-It is handing, although it would need to be confirmed by the Attorney General, that the day of acrion of May 14 would not be a trede dis-pute of the kind which would give immunity from action in a court of law.

Boundary

before next

It would be a political scendel if it were possible to held the next general election on the present parliamentary boundaries, thich were hopelessly out of dusty and did not reflect equality of representation. Mr Lews Brutan, Minister of State, Home Office, said Mr Referan (Cleveland and Whithy

Mr British (Cleveland and Whithy C) said that the Home Office was considering whether any changes in legislation governing the activi-ties of the boundary commissions

be remember the remarks which he

let slip a month ago suggesting that the Government have in mind the possibility of that the law relating to the houndary commissions to speed up the process.

Since it has been accepted that

Party were to use its majority in this House in change the law on the boundary commissions—(Con-servative interruptions and pro-

Mr Brittan-I accept that we have a lot to learn from the Labour

Party about scand is. (Protesta) if would be a political scandal if it were possible to hold the next general election on the present

houndaries which are hopelessly

the view that it is unnecessary that the boundary commissions should

have to complete their considera-tion of the European constituen-cles before reporting the outcome of their consideration of West-

out of date and do not reflect equality of representations

Mr Mertyn Rees, chief

were necessary or desirable. Mr George Cunningham (Islington, South and Flusbury, Lab)-Would

changes

MPs try to clear galleries in guillotine protest

two Labour MP3 and an attempt by them to clear visitors and press from the galleries when it was announced that debate on the Social So

of Lancaster and Leader of the House, announced that a time-table motion on the Bill would be the first business next Tuesday, hir Reg Race (Haringey, Wood Green, Lab) and Mr Andrew Bennett (Stockport, North, Lab) stood up and shouted: "I spy strangers." This is the traditional shout to get the galleries cleared. The Speaker (Mr George Thomas) then eatten a dream of the ques-tion. That strangers withords. ".

The motion was rejected by 157 votes to mil—Government majority, 157. Mr Race and Mr Bennett acted as tellers for their

Iran on

hostages

wonder what that is.

After a short statement by Mr William Whitelaw, the Home Secretary, on the holding of hos-tages at the Iranian Embassy, Mr

Merlyn Rees, Opposition spokes-man on Home Affairs, said that limited as it had to be, all parts of the House, in a difficult situation, wished the Home Secreary and the Metropolitan Police Commissioner well in the developing situation.

In view of discussions that bare

It may be salutary for the

Iranian Government to realize that

we take seriously the need to pro-tect those in diplomatic missions.

There were a number of ques-tions he felt inclined to put but he was not going to today. The best

thing was to leave the questions to later on.

Mr Whitelaw—As for saying little at this stage, I am grateful, It is so

easy for anyone to say something which could make the task of the police and negotators more diffi-

cult. I am sure everyone in the House appreciates that point.

Our ambassador in Tehran has been in contact with the Foreign Minister of the Iranian Govern-

ment who is out of Iran at the moment.

nessage to the President of Iran making clear our determination to deal with this matter and to bring

the trouble to an end without loss

Conference on

public transport

Hooliganism on the London Under-ground would be among the prob-lems to be discussed at a working

violence on

Obstruction?

There has to be (the went on) lengthy debate on a Bill of such importance. It is cutting benefits and interfering with people's rights. Can be give us any excuse for introducing this ilmetable on this Bill in this manner? Mr St John-Stevas—It bardly lies in Mr Foot's mouth to complain about guillotines since we recall that it was he who set an all-time record in this matter by introducing five guillotines on one day, on July 20, 1976.

he asked, think of any possible excuse for the guillotine when the Bill was only in its second week in committee and there had been no obstruction?

There were angry protests from two Labour MPs and an attempt by them to clear visitors and press from the galleries when it deal with the Bill was bound to deal with the Bill was bound to deal with the Committee stage.

There were angry protests from Foot, Deputy Leader of the Opposition in 1966 when the Selective Employment (Payments) Bill was no restrictive as now being proposed with no committee stage.

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Mr. St. John-Stevas said there were the terms for debate were ployment (Payments) Bill was no restrictive as now being proposed with no committee stage.

Where the terms for debate were ployment (Payments) Bill was no restrictive as now being proposed with the Committee stage. Unlike him, I have had the advantage of having been present at quite a number of sittings of the committee. In nearly 40 string hours it is only half way through one clause and only nine groups of amendments have been considered. There have been 15 Opposition

Mr St John-Steves said there would be up to 70 hours on the Bill and as it was only six clauses that was not unreasonable. Mr William Hamilton (Central Fife, Lab)—This is the first Bill in 50 years which has deliberately set

speeches of half as hour or more of which three were from the front bench of an hour each, two of which I heard were by Mr Jeffrey Rooker (Sirminghim, Mr Race said that the Government had introduced an amendment to the first because they had for the first because they had been the first because the first because they had been the first because the first had introduced an amendment to cut benefits because they had for-

Fire hours were spent unsitings against and it is quite siear that the opposition has no intention of mockery of the guillorine motions making any progress on the Bill.

Ar St John-Stevas—It is perfectly amendment both from the Government and Opposition.

Home Office minister again rules Message to out new inquiry in Kelly case London's

Kelly were again turned down by Mr Leon Brittan, Minister of State, Home Office, during question time. Mr Martin Plannery (Sheffield, Rillaborough, Lab) had asked what further steps the Home Office intended to take arising from the inquest on Mr lames Kelly...

There is also a further precedent the Government he supported

Deplorable for councils to

It would be deplorable if local authorities broke the law by withholding the police precept, hir Leon Brittan, Home Office, said.

He was answering fir Reg Race (Haringey, Wood Green, Lab) who said: A number of local authorities are thioking of withholding their rate precept to the Metropolitina Police unless some more substantial element of accountability is introduced to make the police more accountable to local authori-

ties.
What possible justification is there for allowing the police force not to be accountable to the local com-

be accountable to the local communities they served. Mr Britan—I am aware of one local authority that made that threat. It is deplorable to break the law by withholding the precept and I hope wister counsels will prevail. (Conservative cheers.) It is a peculiar illogicality to stand up for law and order by breaking the law. Mr Bidon Griffiths (Berry St Edmunds C)—The system of policing London operationally and logistically is a seamless Tarment which caunot be split up among particular boroughs.

There are certain police overaparticular boroughs.

There are certain police operations, such as the one now going on, which sught not to be "essed about by politically motivated local authorities.

Mr Brittan—I entirely agre.

which there can be consultation between the police and local authorities. Will the minister look at the possibility of a change in that respect?

Mr Brittan—The Commissioner is auxious to encourage local police commanders to establish ligison accomments with the local authorities. arrangements with the local authorities in their districts, and the orities in their districts, and the Government certainly supports this development which is entirely consistent with the general position regarding responsibility. Any suggestions for further extending that cooperation will be looked at symmetricially

mar rangery—trace is grave full-lic disquiet and many people do not accept that any trial by inquest can occur. (Load Conservative protests.) Despite the objections coming from the Conservative benches, what I have said is a reality.

Will be ask the Home Scretcry if we can have a public inquiry because a large amount of the

evidence was not given at the inquest, and the relatives feel that there is a lot more to be gone into.

Finally, there is grave disquiet that large sections of the police are no win conflict with the public on many issues.

sar Brittan I accept neither his premises nor his conclusions. I do

which was not before the inquest. For these reasons, it would not be right to suggest that there should be an inquiry. should be an inquiry.

Mr Sydney Chapman (Barnet, Chipping Fernet, Ci—in view of the serious and, as a turned out, unfounded afternations unde against the police, dues he intend to take this opportunity of saying how unsubstantiated those pilenations were.

Mr Brittan-I am happy to make it clear, as the verdict of the jury did, that what he said is the case. Air Enoch Powell (South Dusen, Off U)—Can one get justice for an individual sthrough a public 10quiry?

and of the suggestion of the s

spokesman on home affairs (Leeds, South, Lab).—The boundary com-missions have to make sure there are not over small or over large On the European elections and changing procedures, we have been trying to find out what the Govern ment has in mind. Government thinking of changing the law so that the proceedings for the European elections can be car-Concern over control

ried out in a way not envisaged when the original legislation was carried? We do not understand what the Government has in mind. It has nothing to do with gerrymanderica about the boundary commissions. Many of us feel strongly about the nature of the European Parliament and the way it is organized. Mr Britten-I do nor think any-

rhing I have said or canvassed related to the organization of the European Parlizment or its powers. It simply relates to the fact that at the moment the parlia-mentary boundary commissions cannot English report—neither Scottish, Welsh, English, Scottish, Welsh, uor Northern Ireland one—until they have also considered any changes that they think appropriate in the European parliamentary bound-aries, I am talking about bound-aries alone.

It seems to us that there is no justification for holding up the implementation of the boundary commissions' proposels on the Westminster constituencies just because they may not be able to complete constituencies.

Next week's business

The main business in the House of Commons next week will be: Tuesday: Timetably motion on Social Security (No. 2 Bill. Port of London (Financial Assistance) Bill, remaining states. Wednesday: Debate on Governments' expenditure plans, 1950-51 to 1983-84. Motion on Southern Rhodesia (sanctions) (Annestry) Order and on Zimbahwa Inde. pendence and Membership of the Commonwealth) (Consequestial Provisions) Order. Thursday: Finance (No 2) Bill, second reading. Friday: Private Members' motions. of Lords will be: Tuesday: Social Wednesday, Debate on offertive-ness of central and local Govern-ment. Debate on childmore com-

Mr Foot attacks 'farcical bribery'

Mr Barry Jones (Last Flint, Sir Keith Joseph—No participation Lah)—From these benches it whatever is envisaged for Lazard appears to us that the Prime Minister only heard of this statement be made by BSC. hierally now.

Sir Keith Joseph—It is not for me
to discuss the process by which a
decision like this is reached. decision like this is reached.

Me Timothy Eggar (Enfield, North, C)—We are fortunate in receiving the services of Mr MacGregor. Was it open to Mr MacGregor to retire from his partnership with Lazard Freres and, if so, was Mr MacGregor willing to retire? Sir Keith Joseph—The question about Mr MacGregor's freedom subject to the partnership agreement is a question for him. The decision by him involved, no doubt, the agreement of Lazard Freres. Mr Jo Grimond (Orkney and Shee-... This will have a devas-

kind, L1—This will have a devas-tating effect upon what is supposed to be the Government's policy of restraining wage demands. It is one rule for the rich and one for the poor.

Why should Lazard Freres he rewarded to the tune of \$1,150,000 if he does well for the steel corporation? If he does badly are lazard Freres going to pay up? (Loud laughter.) The steel cortains.

Sir Keith Joseph—Unless the management is the best available the interests of the workers are sperificed. Surely he understands Lazard, in allowing Mr MacGre-Lazard, in allowing Mr MacGregor to leav in breath of his partnership agreement with them, are
scrificing earnings that this highly
active man has been bringing to
them. He has been a prolific profitcarner for them. That is why they
have set the figures they have
which are only payable, as to the
bulk of them, according to perfor-

The Eldon Griffiths (Bury St. Cimunds, C)—Sloce the BSC has to operate in an international entironment many of us understand the need to offer an internationally competitive remuneration to those who are taking on a job of Is Lazard Freres in the course of the performance review to participate in profits that are made by

Mr David Watkins (Consett. Lab)—Will the crucia of performance of this immensely expensive new clairman include h. willing-

ness to reconsider proposals to shut down one third of the steel industry? Sir Keith Josephile will make his own assessment of the annation. In the meanwhile, plans that have been preposed by ESC to the estent that they are ready for fulfilment will go ahead.

Mr. Robert Adley (Christemerch and Lymington, C)—While recognizing the rights of companies in the private \$\frac{1}{2}\text{.pr}\$ to do what they think is right, in the public sector and particularly in a company like British Steel, which has been subject to almost intolerable strains, one of the first criteria in appointing a new chairman should be man whose appointment in the components and person is somebody who can heat the harm done to that corporation. Sir Keith Josephile will make his

that corporation.

Does he feel the arrangements bods he feel the arrangements with Lazards an possibly of beneficial in bringing about a harmonious relationship? It would have been better for the NEB to have bought Lazard Freres and Mr Mac-

Sir Keith Joseph—What matters is that British Steel should get the best chairman we can find. I believe that is what has been achieved. I do not get the impression (he added in reply to a later ques-tioner) that morale in the Entish Steel Corporation is at its lowest. Many steel workers will welcome the importance the Government attaches to getting the best man available in the world to carry out

the vital task of putting their in-dustry on its feet. dustry on its feet.

Mr Kenneth Lewis (Rutland and Stamford, C)—If he believes Mr MacGregor is rwice as good as anyone else available and therefore BSC need him and the Government need him to run BSC, it would have been better if he had taken him on a half-time basis. That way he would still have got a good man and allowed him to keep his other appointments.

Keith Joseph-Mr MacGrezor

the salary that the present chairman is getting. I do not think it would have been better to have tried to get him half-time. Mr Robert Macleman (Caithness and Sutherland, Lab)-Despite the

and sinterials, Lary-pespite the farcical nature of this announcement, the judgment that will be made must depend upon the track record of that distinguished interrecord of that distinguished inter-national businessman who has proved so successful in all he has turned his hand to.

By the manner of his announce-ment Sir Keith Joseph has made the task of the new chairman much more difficult.

Sic Keith Joseph—I welcome his tribute to the performance of this remarkably effective businessman. i do not accept his appraisal of what i have done. The House would have been critical if I had some to the private sector and by some means of persuasion obtained money from them. Air Alichael Foot, Deputy Leader of the Opposition (Ebbw Vale, Lab)—We regard the manner of his announcement and the way he

the people who work in the in-dustry but also to all the manage-ment in the industry.

There are plenty of people in the industry who could have done the job without all this farcical bri-bery, tlabour cheers and loud inbery. (Labour cheers and loud in-

Sir Keith Joseph-We are seking to get a chairman who will rescue industry and those who and upon it, I do not think it makes sense to forget the reality that the management and the men and the users of British Steel will be well served by the new chair-

Royal assent Ine following Acts received the Royal Assent: Companies: Consular Fees: Limitation Amendment Insurance Companies; British Aerospace West Yorkshire.

Parliamentary notices House of Commons lodgy at 9.30. Details to

inquiry into the death of Mr James . Kelly were again sured. Mr Flannery-There is grave pub-

Mr Brittan (Cleveland and Whitby, C)—After the most detailed pos-sible examination of all the evi-

dence, the inquest jury reached a unanimous verdict of death by misadventure, finding the cause of Mr Kelly's death to have been it made no severse comment

ddigonal evidence was revealed in the course of the inquest which in the view of the investigating officer would require him to make

the course of the inquest which in the view of the investigating not believe that there is grave officer would require him to make a further statement to the Director.

In these circumstances, as the Home Secretary has announced, he is satisfied that no one moment that there is material one within the normal judicial procedures which exists.

Public disquires should be reserved for the extremely rare altuations in which matters of the country of the co

withhold precept

lems to be discussed at a vorting conference to be held by the Home Secretary and the himser of Transport next Tuesday on violence on public transport, Mr Leon Brittan, Minister of Scale, Home Office, said. Office, said.

Mr Michael Shersby (Hillingdon Uxbridge, C)—Welcome though his announcement is, it is not sufficient. Will be get the metropolitan Police more actively involved in the policing of the London Underground and review the range of penalties available to deal with these tube thugs.

We cannot go on with the present situation much longer.

Mr Britsin—I appreciate under-Mr George Cumingham, an Opposition spokesman on home affairs (Islington, South and Finshur; Lab)—There is concern among many local authorities in London that there is no formal means by Mr Britsin—I appreciate, understand and share the public analety. The conference to be held next Tuesday is not enough but it is more likely than a working party to show Government and the organizations involved, whether local authorities or transport organizations, pointers to con-structive action for the future. The Metropolitan Police assist the transport police where necess-ary. Recommendations for greater

of public spending Control by the House of Commons of public expenditure was wholly smadequate, Mr Joel Barnett, chairman of the Public Accounts Committee, said when he opened adebate on various reports of the committee.

Mr Barnett (Heywood and Royton, Lab) said that estimates for billing the professional agatem of sudft was needed. There was now total confidence in the procession of the public spid that estimates for billing the professional agatem of sudft was needed. There was now total confidence in the procession of the public spid that estimates for billing the procession of the public expenditure.

committee.
Mr Barnett (Heywood and Royton, Lab) said that estimates for billions of pounds still went through "on the nod" in spite of the excellent reforms which had been made. Courtol would remain inadequate as long as that situation applied.

The work of the PAC and the Comptroller and Auditor General was bound to impinge on policy, especially if it went wider into the area of control of public expenditure. The committee was inevitably bound to get involved in policy if it was concerned, as it should be, with getting value for money and the public money.

It had to my to pursue a path public money.

It had to my to pursue a path whereby it could avoid the most direct party political intervention in order to make the committee more effective.
Mr Michael Shersby (Hillingdon, Uxbridge, C) said the Housing Corporation had apparently falled to act on its own 1977 inter-association comparison which had

to act on its own 1977 inter-asso-ciation comparison which had revealed some associations were losing hundreds of thousands of pounds while others were making a surplus on their operations.

There was some dissatisfaction in the housing association move-ment shout the way the corpora-tion operated. It was slow and even administratively inefficient in dealing with correspondence.

Mr Peter Hordero (Horsham and Crawley, C) said that Rolls-Rovce had landed a number of orders which had proved to be disas-trously expensive for the country so far and would prove extremely expensive in the years to come, expensive in the years to come, Mr Albert Costain (Folkestone and hythe. C) said a number of teach-ing hospitals and construction jobs were started before the plans were properly prepared and there had been wasse because there had not

for a term contract would save an enormous amount of money. Mr Michael English (Nottingham, West, Lab), said an Independent and professional system of sudit was needed. There was not total confidence in the present system which was controlled by the executive enormous district which was controlled by the executive enormous districts. utive supposedly the subjects of the audit. Mr Edward du Cann (Taunton, C) said controls over spending were still inadequate and urgently needed strengthening. It was essen-tial that back benchers should be more closely associated with policy

making, comparing results with forecasts and examining policy alternatives. Mr Denzii Davies, an Opposition spokesman on Treasury affairs (Llanelli, Lab), said he would like (Llanelli, Lab), said he would like to see the committee's role extended to cover local authorities and local government.

Mr Nigel Lawson, Financial Secretary to the Treasury (Blaby, C), said that it was all credit to the Public Accounts Committee hat it had noted the figures that Civil Service pay this year was expected to be 25 per cent above what it was last year.

last year.
The cash limit of a 14 per cent increase had been adhered to but the total for the pay increase this settlements introduced by the previous administration, which mean that there was a delay in the pay rext year. .

Mr Davies—Is he saying that total pay for the year 1980-81 will be 25 per cent higher than it was for 1979-407 Air Lawson—Yes, that is precisely the position. That is a position ! find most unsatisfactory. It is not a A motion to take note of the nmittee's reports was carried by

The main business in the House Thursday: Debate on defence.

which they can be strengthened where appropriate. Ensuring that trading agreements are implemented

the European Communities Committee on Trade Policy, the Tokyo Round, Lord Drumalbyn (C) said the textile industry was far from saissied with the ourcene of the egotiations.

cooperation may emerge from the

On penalties, the Government 15

reviewing the scope and content of the criminal law to see ways in

There were strong complaints that British producers had been grievously harmed as a result of the artificially low prices of United States produced synthetic fibres and tufted carpets. "Its was because of the energy and lead-stock which was made available to them at less than the world price. Lord Eanks (L) said the Brandt Commission was making an appeal for a worldwide policy based on expansion and free trade. The great danger was that the world would pass into contraction and protectionism.

ment. It was too little recognized that those developing countries who were doing extraordinarily well in the textile trade still conworldwide plan designed to secure full employment in a free society. Lord Thorneycraft (C) said in the main, the Conservative Party had over the last 15 to 20 years stood for a policy of wider trade, had supported GAIT, had entered the trading establishment of Europe, and believed the country could conduct its affairs and be sufficiently effective in its numberior cleatly effective in its production

The reason imports came in was

market available here.

retectionism.

If they were going to tackle
The adjustment which was essen-

tinued to operate a high level of protection for their domestic industries.

There should be a new analysis of what was and was not a develop-ing country before they were given a free market from which to pour their goods to the detriment of those who still wanted to see a textile industry in Brimin. because the country did not Lord Ardwick (Lab) said there had produce sufficiently effectively to be some gravision for industries either to sell abroad or fill the which were threatened nor with competition but with aggressive

House of Lords

tial for the older developed councillative Causes and not rely on artification was moving more report of the European Communities Committee on Trade Policy, the Tokyo Round, Lord Orumalbyn (C) said that the Government had to hear in mind when it was thinking in terms that Come as a bitter disappoint the British, whether it was stainfilled with the ourcome of the worldwide plan designed to secure the councillative Causes and not rely on artification artification was moving more replication was moving more rapidly towards protectionism than many would believe. Perhaps for many people in the textile relative to the content of the concentration of its domestic economic policy.

What they preded at present was a bitter disappoint the British, whether it was stool little recognized called patriotism or mitomalism, whether it was tool little recognized. politically expedient reasons the idea of keeping out the foreign or helping the British, whether it was called patriotism or nationalism.

Ritain would be rate.

was growing.

Approximately 25 per cent of United Kingdom gross domestic product depended upon foreign trade. This was above the world BYCKACC Lord Goronwy-Roberts (Lab), for the Opposition, said there was a difference between going for a gen-eral system of protectionism, designed in an illusory way to achieve national solvency, and the

use of properly agreed selective and the aud temporary protective measures in order to safeguard security. Alling industries, given a little time to recover, might become effective and be of assistance to the national Lord Seledon (C) said he had a Lord Trefgarne, a Lord in Waiting,

still to be put on the hones so the detailed work of implementation and interpretation was going to be

Britzin would be taking an active role within the Community to ensure signaturies did not slide away from their obligations, and the potential of the same time as implementing the agreements the agreements themselves, they would need to watch closely that their international trading partners did the 事のた

tariff barriers contained arrange-ments for settling disputes and this should ensure their exporters received reciprocity for the access the Community granted to its mar-

Each of the agreements on non-

The debate was concluded, House adjourned, 8.52 pm. A psychiatrist on the tension that affects siege captors and captives

Stress: making friends of enemies

The public remains sometimes which he would normally have bewildered by the behaviour of captors and captives when both are submitted to long periods of intense nervous stress. That is because few people seem to be aware of the predictable res-ponse of the human and animal brain to such stresses. The Second World War provided a multitude of examples of the nervoes, system of normally brave soldiers breaking under stressee rarely seen in peacetime-but the patterns emergtime—whi the platterns emerged ing were mostly very similar despite the marked differences of behaviour of the same people in normal circumstances.

The brain is a mechanical computer obeying mechanical laws. Put under stress, it may Mart by showing extreme Excitement but this is generally followed by a progressive inhibition of the brain activity, First there is a "i/ysteroid" phase when the individual's computer becomes so disturbed that he starts to believe statements, whether true or not, selves will also become sug- Tehran will start to sympathize normally so loving of life sud-

questioned when in a rational state. Critical faculties are suspenced and absurdities can become firmly held viewpoints.
The "ultraparadoxical" phase of brain activity supervening later is even more disturbing, because then positive condition behaviour becomes negative and vice versa. The individual's res-

ponse to situations is quite opposite to the way he would normally respond. His enemies, for instance, become his firm friends and his friends enemies : or he confesses, when that would be the last thing he would do in his right mind. .. It is essential in dealing with hostage situations to keep an amount of excitatory pressure on the captors but to avoid tak-ing violent action producing an explosive state of excitement so

excessive that it could lead to the death of the captives. But if tension is continued and communication maintained with the captors they them-

gestible and perhaps behave opposite to what they intended and surrender. That happened in two previous London sieges where this policy was sensibly pursued by the police. But it can take many days of stressful waiting while constantly telling the captors they are surrounded and their situation is hopeless before success is achieved.

What are the effects of stress

cal stages of brain activity mitted to stress in varied result in the extraordinary picture to the uninitiated of the suspects are subjected to procaptives starting to become longed police interrogation sympathetic and friendly with they may make true or false their captors and even adopting their viewpoint. A captive of the five-day Spaghetti House siege in Kuightsbridge in 1975 visited and comforted his captor

and believe in the views of their captors because of the pro-longed state of tension they have undergone. Some may completely break down into mental illness which will become more apparent after but

not before their release. A few will remain staunchly unmoved

by their captors viewpoint. A better understanding of the brain's activity in breakdown explains many irrational hepin the captives? The explains many irrational hep-hysteroid and ultraparadoxi penings in people held and subconfessions in a way they would never have considered possible in a normal state of brain activity. The large number of suicides in police cells after It is bound to happen, for in-stance, that quite a number of the American captives in Tehran will start to symmetric

dealy wants to die and does so by his own hand.

Many confessions and suicides are certainly not "voluntary in the true sense of the word, but the underlying mechanisms seem so rarely understood by many concerned in bringing the process about.

Captors rarely kill themselves or risk their own deaths. This means that if the police wish to avoid disaster for the hostages they should continue to behave with the atmost restraint. It is always necessary to cool the situation but at the same time keep up a steady nervous pressure and communication with the context. Only in cation with the captors. Only in that way can the police bring about the desire in the captors to start to behave in a different and opposite way from their pormal original intention.

> Dr William Sargant Renorary Consulting psychiatrist St Thomas's Hospital

The terrorists who beat the system

fronting Scotland Yard was of a renewed Provisional IRA attack on mainland Britain. There was also intelligence to suggest that London might become a battlefield for the schismatic, violent emotions of the Middle East, but

there were few serious incidents.

Since the beginning of 1978, however, that intelligence has become reality with more fatalities from Middle East terrorism than from the IRA. Since 1978, seven people have died as a result of violence generated thousands of miles away from the streets of

The first to die was Mr Said Hamami. The first to die was Mr Said Hamami, European organizer for the Palestine Liberation Organization, who was shot in his office close to Oxford Street. Unprepared Scotland Yard even thought at first that the dead man was Shaikh Yamani, the Saudi Arabian oil minister.

As the bunt for the assessin started. detectives began to realize that, with

thousand Arabs visiting London eve three days, with many established refugee communities, and with the endless contortions of Arab politics, Mr. Hamami might not be the only

casualty.
Six months later their suspicions were confirmed with the death of a former Jordanian Prime Minister. General Abdul Razzah al Naif died in June. 1978. A month later an unsuccessful grenade assault was launched on the

Iraqi embassy. Eleven Isaqis, dipiomats and business-men for the most part, were expelled during that period. The violence con-tivued in August, when an El-Al stewardess and a terrorist died in an attack on an Israeli airline bus. .There was a luli until January this

year, when violence began again with the death of a Batraini student in a bomb explosion in a West End botel. The pare quickened three works ago with the death of Mr Muhammad Ramadan, a Libyan journalist, and last

Friday, a few hundred yards from the Iracian Embassy, Mr Hahmoud Abbu Nafa, a Libyan lawyer, was also shot dead.

Although many of the attackers have been caught and convicted, the reaction of the police has done nothing to stem the entry of violent Arabic ideologues who can successfully blend into the large Arab community that has grown up in London since the devastation of Beirut, once the pleasure resort of his rut, once the pleasure resort of the Middle East,

The first line of defence lies at ports and airports, where Special Branch has to sift through millions of tourists and businessmen each year. It has the use of a special intelligence register, against which it can check suspicious arrivals, but although approximately 40,000 checks are made each year the system cannot be perfect.

If the visitors have diplomatic status,

they and their obices become the responsibility of the diplomatic protection group. Police Constable

embassy yesterday, is a member of one of eight units in the group. They patro the perimeters of embassies. With own radio control system, special vehicles and hand guns, the group was increased in strength some years ago, but it provides a fragile line of defence egainst a determined attack.

In the background the anti-terrorist squad, C13, with up to a hundred mem-bers, has the difficult task of keeping abreast of developments and group:

likely to launch such attacks.

Because of recent developments a

Rumber of detectives now speak Arabic.

But they cannot master the various
dialects including those of splinter groups. Yesterday Commander Peter Duify, head of the squad, had to admit that his men were still trying to dis-cover who sud what the guamen in the franian Embassy represented.

Stewart Tendler Crime Correspondent

Geoffrey Smith

How close are we to an exit from Europe?

How far bas Mrs Thetcher's method of negotiation, over the European budget strengthened or weakened the prospect of Britain remaining indefinitely a member of the Community? It has certainly raised the hopes of those who tayour withdrawel. They know that sentiment in the country is running in their direction. A Galkup poli published in The Sunday Telegraph on April 20 found a two to one majority for leaving the Community. In the Commons these days there is a new assurance among the anti-marketeers on both the sides of the House. They tha believe that there is a tide of in ing Britain away from the EEC. At the same time a loss Britain away of conviction is evident among

they have less confidence in Mrs Thatcher is not seeking to strengthen the anti-Community cause. When she reported to the House of Commons ou. Tuzsday on the outcome of the in Britain. Luxembourg meeting she went

those who still believe in British membership. They have

not changed their views, but

out of her way a number of times to assert her belief in the continued value of British membership. What she has been doing in domestic poli-tical terms is to respond to anti-EEC sentiment in the country by parading her determination to fight for British interests in Europe. The effect is to raise the stakes.
If she can secure an agree-

ment that 'accords reasonably closely with her demands then she will be able to assuage the fears of the British public all the more effectively for having dramatized the issue. She will then be in a position to argue that it is possible to remain in the Community without sacrificing Britain's material interests, that Britain's just demands have been met and that the new conditions are so much more favourable to Britain that the critects of membership will be far more beneficial in the future.

In those circumstances her precious intransigence amund the negotiating table would make hor a more persuasive advocate for the Community.

But her strategy is by its

nature a high-risk one. There is pal political parties all favoured no prespect of her obtaining continued membership. Whether everything that she is demand that would be equally influential ing, and she has asserted her in a second referendum may requirements so dogmarically perhaps be questioned but what that it will be casy for her is much more critical is whether critics to point in the gap like leadership of all three between her goal and her parties remain committed to achievement. That will not matter if the gap turns out to be only a small one, but if it is significant she will have presented the anti-marketeers with a valuable, wespon.

The direct impact on public opinion may not be of great consequence. It is perfectly possible under the British system prepared to commend to the for governments to continue for British people it is improbable years with policies which are not supported by public opinion. That this dissatisfaction will reach such a peak as to force Capital punishment has not been any, government either to with in force in Britain for nearly 20 years, although throughout. this time there would cortainly have been a majority for it in any referendum.

What matters is whether public feeling on 'a particular issue is of such intensity as to force or induce one of the main parties to respond, either by adopting the policy outright or by putting the question to a eferendum.

An opinion poll is no measure intensity of feeling, or indeed of its permanence. At this point one is bound to be in the realm of subjective assessments. British opinion on the EEC has varied a great deal over the years. At the time of the 1975 referendum it was much influ-

So long as they are there is

unlikely to be another referen-dum. British grumbling about the Community, and an under-current of dissatisfaction, may well continue for years. But if Mrs Thatpher finally brings back an agreement that she is draw or to hold a further referспфия. Would any of the parcies

pursue such a course of their own volition It is most unlikely that the Conservatives would unless there were a major clush between a Conservative Government and the rest of the Community on a scale that one does not foresce. Anti-EEC sentiment is rising in the Conservative Party, but to nowhere near the level where it might force a change of policy. The Liberals remain even more wholeheartedly committed to the Community. The question mark hangs over Labour.

The risk that Mrs Tharcher is turning is not with her own party, or even immediately the public opinion at large. It enced by the fact that the is rether that the negotiations leadership of the three princi-may have such an outcome, or may drag on for so long in such a disagreeable atmrsphere, as to make it very difficult for the growing pressures of their own anti-marketeers.

That is to assume that the the pressures, which will depend to a large extent upon who is leader. So long as it is Mr. Callaghan the assumption is probably correct, though one cannot be absolutely certain. Ris tactics are to encourage Mrs Thatcher in her campaign for a reduction in Britain's contribution, but to criticize her for raising expec-tations too high.

If she obtains an agreement not markedly from her demands these tactics should enable Mr Callaghan to accept the substance of the settlement while making the kind of waspish comments on her personal style that are thought to be required by the conventions of British party politics. But if she can-not get an improvement on the terms offered at Luxembourg he will find it hard not to reject the deal perhaps with the suggestion that a future Labour government might do

Every time the Prime Minister declines an offer from the rest of the Community she not only goes out on a limb herself, but she pulls Labour's leader with her—and he might find it more difficult to acromble back again. That is true of Mr Callaghan, It would apply even

better.

From September, Mr Ian MacGregor will be chairman of British Steel. He succeeds Sir Charles Villiers, who. offers this parting advice.

Dear Ian MacGregor You will find the British Steel Corporation in the midst of deliberately hard, strong, radical action to prepare for the new conditions of the eightics. The adjustment, during which 10 major iron and steel works have been closed and the numbers amplicated will like 1.11. have been closed and the numbers employed will have fallen by about 70.000 in the three years since Seprember, 1977, is difficult but essentiat. It is not popular, but is moving BSC towards a realistic future, The job is to make BSC a commercial business which can surviva

cial business which can survive with fierce competition.

The United Kingdom like France and Italy is in the middle of a sandwich between the industrial supernovers. the industrial superpowers, Germany and Japan, and the new, up and coming, such as Brazil. Korea and Spain, This is uncomfortable for many industries, but for steel it raises the question of survival, because squeezed between the most advanced and the lowest cost producers, BSC could become irrelevant.

And without change the cost to the nation of BSC—losses, investment, working capital—could run at up to \$21,000.000,000 a year: this wouldn't happen for long.

At the first International Steel Trades Confederation Conference to which I spoke three years ago, I said: "We cannot make a successful steel industry in this country structured as we are now—if we go on like this there is only one down. A year later I told the same conference: "Unless we improve performance and improve performance and become competitive in every way, the future of bulk steel-

making in this country is in grave doubt and jaopardy. If we go down it will be our fault: it is not too late, but we must get on with it." Each year has seen a further twist of the economic screw. In autumn 1977 emerged the full horser of world over-

cupacity in steel (about 100) megaronnes). My job was to persuade the Labour govern-ment to turn round by 180 degrees the steel policy of its manifesto; hence the March 1978 White Paper. "The Road to Viability", which set out riding instructions which are stil valid. Bring capacity

and eliminate loss.".

Since October 1977 we have closed the iron and steelworks. Anors. Ethin Vale, Shelton, Glengarnock; Bilston and Shotton, and agreed the clusure at Corby and Hallside. In 1979 we saw the full failure of British manufactur-

ing industry to recover from the recession and the new dimensions of import penetra-tion in finished goods. We saw the doubling of the oilprice, with its world inflationary consequence, and the bitter irony of the pound hecoming a strong petrocurrency at a time when United Kingdom industry was least firted

to stand it.
The response in BSC has been even greater urgency for change. Many nationalized industries can put up prices-cost-plus. For steel this would be sulcide.

To exert I advised the board just two years ago, to set as an objective the target of breaking even by March 1980: to tighten formance and focus attention on cash and the climination of loss. It forced BSC to press on with bringing capacity down into line with demand, and cutting out overmanning.

Faced with worsening economic conditions in 1979 the safe" course would, perhaps, bave been to abandon the objective of breakeven. We could have cited continuing losses in steel in France Belgium and Italy. We could have asked the British taxpayer to subsidize over capacity, loss-making ex-ports and BSC's less than average performance and manning. But we did not.

In fact in July, 1979, we reing at breakeven by March, from the shop floor and they

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Sir Charles Villiers and Mr Ian MacGegor : a realistic future

Stay strong in the market place

1980 and November Kingdom's accelerating infla-tion, the bloated pound and the prospect of deepening reces-sion in manufacturing industry forced the board to abandon that objective.

Worsening conditions mean accelerating change ruther than deterring it. Otherwise BSC deferring it. Otherwise BSC will become the whale stranded on the beach by the outgoing tide. Hence the policy of reducing effective manned capacity to 15 megatonacs a year with five in reserve. Hence a contreversial pay strategy, based on increased productivity, rather than the British tradition of cost plus. Hence the planned reduction of the steel work-force to not more than 100,000, So what are the conditions for success?

The most important is a strong customer base. BSC basen assuud turnover of [3] thousand million. Steel is now a buyer's market, in which every tonne is fought for. Despite this BSC held its market share at around 51 per cent through the four years of crisis-up to the strike. Over the past four years I have visited scores of BSC. customers to see them using British steel in cheir own works: the awareness of customers' business and needs is deeps in BSC than ever before and I think as a result BSC's reputation among its customers a commercially-directed

business now stands high. The strike showed that steel is no longer a basic industry: only 2 per cent of national manufacturing production was lost in 13 weeks of the steel strike. The case for British steel rects squarely on its performunce at matching customer needs better than its comneeds better than

petitors. The second condition for success is that it uses its plant effectively and connemically. This means pace of production, maximum yield, minimum re-jection, "getting it right the first time, every time , and a new precision in the use of energy. All this conmins costs. BSC has commissioned, success-00 at of mear the past two years: that plant, and our marure places as well. need to be operated as well as

And it means a new flexihillty among the workforce, in line with the European compethion. The "cnabling sgree-ment" dated 21 March, 1980. ment and endorsed by the Lever Committed, is designed to move towards this. There were the strings" that overhung our ong prinful strike—these ong prinful strike—these strings must now he made long effective.

I tried from day one to achieve partnership with the steel unions in a Steel Consteel unions in a "Steel Con-tract". This was wrecked on the rocks of trade union autonomy and an unwillingness in share problem-solving if it meant job loss. One third of our maid board members come

strove for it till hav mad notable contribu-when the United tions. Yet when the board pu-accelerating infla- forward roposals on Corby which it considered in the best monts to get any response a national union level at all Future relations with the stee union will depend on their willigness to discuss the terrile problems we face will

BC needs a structure which hield the business adapt and devion. The faster the committee environment moves themore inappropriate mannlith organizations are. The process of decentralization with we have begun must generally the confidence. Yet in all this don't fact the need for strength in themarket place... strong visits countful. I believe DSC 1 years for this now. for this now.

C's radical adjustments reque major government sid it Chine causes great naid any haiship in many steel committees: ESC pioneered way of elleviating this with ESC (I justry) which brings new hupess to the old steel sites. The programment is the programment of the programment of the programment in the programment year, working with other cles, it should help to agrices it should hel crite 10,000 new jobs. en mous figure—who else i. g this?

government supports th tment of older industry it must also, stimulate, an urage the new industrie: and small, which tak place as employers an h creators. It can't be in ob-especially in recession to the job contraction in the ecomes a nightmare unles Affort he coverament to re old with new is seen an

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cisely now. contain the costs and s draadful losses. save and generate cas

rywhere. e Aest few years offer a price: the cost, price squest the strong pound will con rin**g.** So will the need fo

elieve managers are not y for it : I believe the work have come to see the n 🧈 for it: I hope the unions k views of the cighties an enaborate to save bulk sice many in the United Kingdon here is a role for a strong efficient steel industry in the Ulited Kingdom—and Britis minufacturing industry with the from it. But it has the hafought for—and that mean those redical action is still arciel and competitive.

Sond luck-you'll need it!

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in Russia never lasts long; this year it was practically non-existent. And by the time Moscow city authorities realized it was time to turn off the central heating, the temperature out side was already in the 70s and people sweltered with all the windows open and the heating full on indoors, radiators are installed without regulating valves, unfortunately.

Suddenly it's summer. Spring

few roubles

on Cardiff

The sun has stimulated an unprecedented burst of activity to get the capital into shape for the Olympics. Virtually cutire factories have been drafted to remove junk and debris that has been lying around for years. Buildings are being knocked down almost overnight to make room for road widening trees and flowers are being planted and things have come alive on con-struction sites where all activity came to an unexplained stop many months ago.

But it was too nice to work all weekend and I decided, like thousands of other Muscovites. lid spend a day at the races. I have rarely seem, so many Russians having so much fun. The Moscow Hippodrome is an extraordinary edifice, built in 1955, and looking from outside like a hiparre imitation of side like a hizarre imitation of a classical Greek building. The cream-coloured facade is topped with a soire and sur-rounded by statues of prancing horses, the entrance is through

all columns with capitals. painted decorated ceilings, plaster frescos horses in Elysium

in this classless society there are three classes of seating. For 30 kopecks (22 pence) you can go to the main stand with its wooden seats and high wooden railings. For the top price you can go into the comptier, smarter section. There is even an elaborate semi-circular royal stand with stained-glass windows again of horses) and decorative canopies.
Inside the betting hall looks

like a mineteenth century rail-way waiting room, with women also bookies (the word in Russian is "bokmaker") sitting be ind a wire grille.
It is all a bit shabby, worn down by countless crowds and too little maintenance. And the attempt at grandeur is at odds

with the eager jostling, smoking garlic-smelling rough-andready crowd.
Racing begins at 1.00 on Sunday afternoons. The first thing to do is to queue up to get a programme. The 20-page booklet lists all the borses for each race, their age, paventage, times and placings in four previous outings to give an idea of form, and the names of the

jockeys and their colours. Actually they are not really inchers because on most days the events—winter and summer, snow or mud—are trotting snow or mud-are trotting races, with the jockeys being pulled along in little traps with racing scason opens later on. and on one great day in mid-summer there is the equivalent

racing days-Wednesday and Saturday evenings and Sundays —it's trotting.

A friend and I arrived too

late to get a programme, but managed to persuade one of the plump and friendly bookies to give us hers. She explained the betting: you have to " give the forecast", picking the winning two horses. There is no place or show option, and the basic

stake is a rouble.
You get a cardboard ticket with the choice scribled on. Of course all betting is on the totalizator system—there are no private bookmakers, at least not officially. In theory the odds race and the payouts vary accordingly. But there was no way of finding out the odds. and people say the winnings are suspiciously uniform and never more than a few roubles.

There are all types at the races: actors, artists, rugged workers in rough clothes, the smart and fashionable sporting Olympic shirts or surreptitiously acquired anotaks and rishirts with "Adidas." "John Player special", or some other familiar western firm's name emblayoned on them was your emblazoned on their war ver-erans in their Sunday best with medals on their chest, leatherjacketed vouths, swarthy mustachioed faces from the south, a few old women and the occasional blonde bombshell.

In the depths underneach the stands are more betting

hooths, beer bars (with polite notices saying the hook of com-plaints can be found in the buffer). A smell of shashlik and the public lavatories. Loudrounded by statues of prancing summer there is the equivalent speakers play nompals music. horses, the entrance is through of the Grand National, the There's a happy relaxed atmost a marbled hall with a vaulted. Derhy and Ascot all rolled into the two-tier grand one. But usually on the three Papsi-Cold, with its distinctive



unmistakable labei cyrillic script. Pensi ust in before the Olympic boycott, and is not subject to an American, trade embargo as Coca-Cola is. It has become a rather chic drink.

Even the police are knurging against the fence end chatting

with the speciators.

For the 3.00 I bet on a horse rejoicing in the unlikely name of Cardiff. He had a promising lineage—born from Ideal and Culture. I wagered that Kashma would come in second. A hell rang three minutes before the race. Already a ran-ker truck, of the kind used for

heen round the course spraying the dusty track. It was a perfect sunny afternoon. In the distance was a typical Muscow skyline: four of the Stalinesque gothic skyscrapers, assurted blocks of high-rise flats and a few old factories. In the in-field was a large

washing strects in summer, had

banner proclaiming "glary to work", a large illuminated indicator board that did not work, a few heaps of sand and two clocks, one stopped at 12,00 and the other at 2.00. finishing post, marked " finish was opposite, the most expensive part of the stand. The horses and traps lined up

behind a truck carrying a gate that stretched out across the track. The truck led them trot-ting down to the start and then sped on ahead, drawing in the folding gate like wings and then turning off the course as the horses, raced on round. People cheered their favour-ites. Cardiff was meant to be number one, but there seemed

to be three other horses also marked number one which was confusing. The commentator seemed more laconic than his western counterparts, but Car-diff was clearly in the lead. In the smart stands the enthusiasts were looking through binoculars. A few were squinting down telescopes. They trotted round once and

Cardiff won. I pushed back through the throng to my friendly bookie to claim some money. Size explained that I hadn't understood the system, kashma came in fourth instead of second. "Bur I wish you'd won," she said kindly, as she my money for the next

They went round again. Th ders in their coloured plast elmets and striped jacket he Lorses stepping high wit few laggords breaking into a legal gallop as the jockey estrained them (a notice in i regramme announced here would be no pay-outs any horse that galloped). Ut fortunately Dialogue and Kan chatka came in second and thi instead of first and second. M berting ticket joined the thou ands of others littering th ground.

Russians have a passion fo numbling. Perhaps that is we ir is so carefully controlled There have been scandals from time to time in the past tha jockeys fixed the faces. I know of one man who used to pularge sums with Hegal privat bookies (who operate with few winks and odds). He ever gave in his internal passpor and his party membership care as guarantees when his reques for credit was lenied. In the end he literally aid his suit of a horse there and then, in mid winter, caught meumonia an

From time to time the Sovie authorities have twinges in conscience that horse racin: isn't really quite the done thin; for good communists. There was considerable debate ore the building of the Hippodrome to replace the earlier one the was burnt down. Ten years in the press had a long campaign against rating, but nothing came of it luckily. It is still one of the capitalist pleasare left for at unproductive and unprofitable but enjoyable sun day afternion.

Michael Bin on

fatter giving much clearer clues

to the music's intentions. In accepting these, both soloist and conductor were working towards a less perfunctory approach than the first movement suggested. By the and a more

gested. By the end, a more

absorbing performance might

have emerged had they then

gone back to the beginning and

started again.

That being impracticable in

what was a concert rather than

a rehearsal, the concerto had to

be left in its transitory rule

from somewhat dutiful Haydn at the start to almost rollicking Mendelssolm afterwards. The players' sounded less than at-volved in Haydn's symphony No 93 aracelus in them inflaction

93, graceless in their inflection

and in rhythmic emphasis in the

By Tony Tanner

(Johns Hopkins University Press, £9.75) Modern language often sufer less from those who speak i than from those who try of define it. The study of lines tics has become more unine licible than slang, of semants less clear than cockrey. If there is a science of signs, if there remessages hidden teneath te meaning of words, present attempts to discover them de piling jargen on conjusion. Ad some leading literary critic who used to be the santinels if who used to be the spitinels if our prose in the tridition of Ruskin or even T. S. Elion, as becoming its invaders We have to fear, not the trains of decleres, but the agot de guardiens.

Tony Tanner's mportant hook on Adultery in the Noue: Contract and Transposition con

Contract and Trangresion col-tains a host of origina startling and significant it sights into his subject. After signt into his subject. After a brilliant general introduct, of in which he investigates some of the sources and changes in the role of the trangrespragainst the system of burgois marriage, he examines the theme of adultery in the novels, Rousseau's La Yource Halaise. Courte's Die Waln's novels, Rousseau's La Nucce Héloise. Goethe's Die Wahlve-waudischaften, and Flashert Madame Bovary. In a distrmit preface, he confesses to ejec-ing most of the standard pre-cedures of literary and hist rical criticism in favour d having his own say in his wai Unfortunately, his say it usually in the way of the fashionable schools of the modern French behaviora modern French behaviora
"scientists". He quotes particu larly from the works and theories of Ariès, Barther Bataille, Foucault, Lacan, Levi Strauss and Saussure.

It is impossible to read this hook without being surprised into a new awareness from sentences that are set like am bushes. The writing resembles a series of guerrilla raids rather a series of guerria rates rather than a grand strutegy. When N strikes, it is memorable; when it is botched, it is incomprehensible to the reader with a general education.

The paradox of the book is simply this. Why does a man who can wall often

who can write so well often choose to write so badly? The enswer is that Dr Tanner has adopted the private language of the French sages along with their flashes of illumination as if obscurity were the necessary clouds of wisdom. It is finite worship holy cows, but not collect their occasions droppings and call them a netwocabulary. His tenms includithese: genre-expectations, lift decontextualists did. guicity, decontextualised, di-reading, desocializing the six ation, and a diseased-loug engendering mind, Occasionally his phrases desert the abstru for the hilarious, as when a refers to Paris's "puncture punctuation of Helen's body" a Harwood's play, now transferred from Manchester to what seems a secure West End berth. to the high grass round Trist. strengthens my opinion that this is much the best new piece yet unveiled by the Royal Exchange

nonsocialized area." " metamessages ", use another of his terms. Ca gapeak only to the small grou ' literary critics who have rea job, same source books. It with lains himself to a clique comohen Dedalus's Agentics etua it has become an Erudite payeroup. Although he promis ness expound his terms and the whi a future work, it is hard to raise a prolonged prolonged prolonged wand wait some years for a find acchianation.

write. And my first impression of the play was of a wonderfully affectionate portrait of the actor-managerial breed, projected through a fittingly suspense-laden action, and paralleline the contraction, and paralleline the contraction of the Bertrand Russell proved tha a great thinker could make the most complex philosophical production of King Lear during theories as lucid as distilled a 1942 air raid with an off-stage water without diluting them too water without diluting them and the number one much, it is the park to posterity. For as the years pass, style chides, jaraon subsides, it is a pity that this novel and intriguing work should suffer from an intuitive writer. The Dresser stand with her the only observation reconstruction.

Tapidly forgation.

The hest section in the bank question is that of combining is Dr Tanner's periound continue an off-stage drama with a simulative production. is Dr Tanner's perfound come an off-stage drama with a simulparson between the Mosaic tameous Shakespearian performance, woman taken in adultery. In
this, the words of the Old and
New Testaments inspire Dr
Tanner into a prose of grace
and power, while he defines the
distinctions between City, Field,
and Temple If only its could
ally the language of the King,
lames's Bible to the linguistic,
of the Sorbonne, he might prove of the Sorbonne, he might prove n his promised sequel that old vords can fit into new bottles and age well.

Andrew Sinclair

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Andrew Sinclair in his promised senuel that old

kingdom.

is a marked improvement. Sit's tyle and Sir's story demand a neture frame? and when Sir

has a curtain speech, there is

real curtain for Freddie Jones to hang on in Wolfit's classi-cally exhausted pose.

Mr. Jones has gained in

authority and variety since he first stepped into Sir's show,

and he now has the all-important quality of surprise. Tom

Norman, sulking, cajoling, and

keeping himself going with a half bottle of Scotch in the

hack pocket of his baggy war-



A 'Tempest' full of magic and surprises

The Tempest (AA) Screen on the Hill

The Jerk (AA)

Plaza:

Mission Galactica-The Cylon Attack (U) Empire

Derek' jarman is a director whose importance to British cinema transcends his individual films. In three features he has consistently and effectively demonstrated that the invest-ment of invention originality. flair, ingenuity and above all imagination is finally more-sigimagination is finally more significant than money. Not even in his first and oddest picture. Selectione, was there him feeling of shoestring powerry, or of an artist meekly submitting to restraints of economy. Jarman is a painter who will paint with the same panache on a small piece of canvas if a big one is not to hand.

hand.
The Tempest was made (by Don Boyd's independent production company) for the sort of money that would probably not have paid for some single days of shooting on Apocalipse Now or 1941; yet Hocalipse Now or 1941; yet it is the most truly spectacular B-itish film for years: Spectacle, you discover in Jarman's work, is a product of the artistic imigination, not of millions of dollars' worth of scenery and plaster. Take only the opening scene of The Tempest: "the nightmare of a shipwreck, h violent staccato montage of half-seen images of waves, a man clinzing to a spar, rivid blue night, racket—all far more thrilling and evocative than a world of studio tanks and costly stage machinery.

The Tempest, moreover, stands alongside the Hamlet and Lear of the Soviet director Grigori Kozintsevs as one of the most successful, authorise of the successful, authorise of the successful successful authorise of the successful successf and truly poetic adaptations of Shakespeare: text and images are totally integrated, to afford interpretation, not mere illustra-

Jarman's bold editing of the text emphasizes the clear lines of the narrative, while maintaining intact the vivid poetry and the inherent magic of the play. The words are treated not as museum literature, but as lively, living, communicable, practical dramatic dialogue. None of the actors comes from

A second viewing of Ronald

Even from advance descrip-

tion, this tragi-comic study of an old actor-manager's relationship

with his dresser, by a man who had once occupied that role to Donald Wolfit, was clearly some-

thing that Mr Harwood had to

leling the events surrounding

Lear drama in the Number One

The Dresser

Irving Wardle

Oueen's

Company:



Toyah Willcox and Peter Bull

pero (played by the seriter actor Heathcote Williams) is a single according to the surfice actor Heathcote Williams) is a single acceptable authorat; Miranda (Toyah Willcox) is a full-blooded, mischevous airl on the verge of sexual discovery and maturity. Caliban (Jack Birkett, "The Great Orlando" of Lindsay Kenp's company) is not the stage, but a backstairs rascal, delighting in his own poetry as well as in his grossness, pathetic in his memories of usurped glory and necromantic origins as Sycorax's child. Nor is Kari Johnson's Ariel some fey Marnard Tarrant elf, but a nervy, anxious serf, chaffing under the obligations of greetitude and marching feet, the noises third film, reveals a talent that third film, reveals a talent that third film, reveals a talent that third film, reveals a talent that

New York, Thursday

A few seasons, ago Broadway,

short of good new musicals, took to resiving good old ones.

a formal Shakespearian jump suit until the time is due school; unencumbered by the for his emancipation, when he traditions of declamation and changes to a Thirtyish white dered castaways.

In the theatre than the realize, they show that the language can come through naturalistic avoids any sort of, root in delivery, all the pauses, hesitations, restraint of familiat speech.

None of the casting is obvious, because the characters are all approached fresh and unprejudiced. Instead of a wenerable stage wizard, Prospero (played by the writer-actor Heathcote Williams) is a vigorous, handsome intellectual authors; is a full-blooded, missible outward appearances of businshed by the spell and design of the time is due of a ballroom (Strauss not?) that enshares the dered castaways.

Jarman saves his most circums as the introduces his Goddet introduces hi

Broadway recreates two famous successes

ballroom (Strauss-. not?) that ensures the bevil-

larman saves his most midahe introduces his coddess at the nuprials of Férdinand and Miranda we are naturally expecting some jewelled deity of Jacobesa marque. Instead there is Miss Elisabeth Welch. there is Miss Elisabeth Welch, surrounded by an absurd chorus line of musical comedy "Mariners", and singing "Stormy Weather". The inextiable first reaction is a titter of disbelief and embarrassment. But larmen knows his month But larmen knows his comberrassment are instantly bunished by the spell and authority of this performer. (Quite unbelievably, she is alleged to be in her nid-seventies.) Incrma rightly performer. (Quite unbelievably, she is alleged to be in her nid-seventies.) Incrma rightly of destroying some enemy-perceives that, if he wants to give us the sense of a celestial descent, he will do it best through such a transcendent

and, if the British film estab-lishment does not make use of it, it is an industry more sunk in folly even than one had

joke that falls something short of satire, is the latest work of one of Hollywood's more hizarre talents, Carl Reiner. Its hero, Navin Johnson (Steve Martin), is a modern Candide and a perfect idios. The found-

and a perfect idiot. The found'ling white child of a po' black
family, he grows up in the limelog cabin, deeply troubled at
being such a funny colour
and at lacking the proverbial
natural sense of rhythm.

Arriving in the big city to
seek his fortune, with only unjustifiable good will and
enthusiasm to guide him, he
discovers work money and sex.
He makes a fortune by accident and loses it again (thanks
to, a law suit brought by a
certain Carl Reiner, who has
been sent cross-eyed by Navin's
invection of a handled spectacle
frame). He is rescued from the
Bowery by the po' black family
Who have invested the pittance
he has sent them, as a dutiful he has sent them, as a dutiful chile, week by week, and they all-live happily ever after in a somewhat, eblarged log, cabin.

It seems always on the verge f saying something sharp of saying something sharp about the consumer society but never quite manages it. Instead it is a rather repetitive and drawn-out moddle of gags and throwaways, sometimes funcy; and even rising at moments to the Alice in Wonderland heights of Navio's apostrophe of his sleeping mistress (the excellent Bernadette Peters, somewhat wasted here). If you believe (as I do) that something in the nature of the commercial film—its communal production and its need

through such a conscendent artist and spellbinding presence.

My enthusiasmi for this rare film is unrepent out indicated for the film, a sequel to Battlestor Guiartica which looks as if it is using up out-takes of the special effects, and makes even less sense than that has rarely much to boast about Derek largement with like

pieces, right down to their tirles
for example, The Laurcy
Makes Up Berr Mind Ballet

which closes the first act. But all carping is washed away by the

knowledge that when Rodgers and Rammerstein worked on this particular collaboration

writing an indifferent number.

Even West Side nods for a

moment or two towards the end of the score; Oklahomai

allows itself no such indul-

The principals in this revival

appear farm fresh. Laurence Gustard makes a rangy, good-looking Curly, although his voice is 'unlikely to set the house alight; Christine Andreas in

contrast has a warm and full apprane which could well

tackle music more demanding

than this; and Christine Eber-

sole is the Ado Annie with the

ing more of Mr Groener.

That . I would - he - the -woung

the Mark Hellinger, which Irs-

ing Wardle admired on this page a few weeks ago. This tribute to the days of burles

mas in the Village has been

Kathryn Grayson but to Miss

as the showman of the title

ing by Joe Layton, which turns the Sr James's into a one-ring

were quite incapable of

David Robinson

LMP/Vásáry Festival Hall

Noël Goodwin

Tamas Vasary was widely admired as a pianist before he admired as a pianist before he turned more of his attention to conducting, now as mustic director of the Northern Suffonds and on Wednesday as guest conductor, with the London Mozart Players. His approach to this never role with another pianist, Stephen Bishop-Kovacevich, as the soloist in Mozart's A major Concerto, K488, was instructive in that he imposed quite a disciplined framework on the orchestra which allowed on the orchestra which allowed no great flexibility of phrasing to the planist either.

Indeed, it was only in the last, movement that I thought the performance began to find and explore the music's range of expressive character. Not that this was a matter of mere pace or glitter. The programme note very properly reminded us that printed scares bear different tempo markings for this and the slow movement compared with these on the autograph the with those on the autograph, the

and in rhythmic emphasis in the lyrical passages, and without much spring in their golt for the minuet and finale.

They became more assertive in Mendelssohn's A minor Symphony, one section to such an extent that it began to sound more like another concerns, one extent that it began in sound more like another concerts, one for the four horns. Those were allowed to dominate the texture overmuch, disrupting the balance between wind instruments and the limited number of strings.

Yonty-Solomen -- --Wigmore Hall

Max Harrison

Youty Solomon's programme on Wednesday followed the pattern that seems to have become established by a number of London piano recitals lately fellowing conventional major. repertoire pieces in the first half with notably, recondite items, in the second: Bach's Fartita No 6 had a free, almost improvizational feeling; this often produced attractive results, as in the opening. Toccata, yer was not aways best for the rhythmic health of some of the dance movements, such as the Allemande, However, Mr Solomon's beautiful, singing tone helped to emphasize the strongly vocal elements in this

strongly vocal elements in this music.

Schumann's Sonata Op 11 also contained many excellent things, dumerous moments of real perception. This was especially so in the first movement, which contains such varied matter, and in the dream-like Aries that follows.

The Reminiscences on A

The Reminiscences on A Life for the Czar, written in 1854/55, revised in 1899, was earliest

composition. It uses Glinka's themes and—In general—his harmony, but the keyboard expertise is entirely the younger man's and shows how precocious he was. Mr Solomon's performance was appropriately brilliant yet managed to underline the piece's musical rather than its virtuosic qualities.

piece's musical rather than its virtuosic qualities.
Busoni's Sonatina No 6 was originally published as "Chamber-Fantasy on Carmen", and so was another operative reminiscence, though a very different one. It is Lisztian in that it presents the essence of the drama yet shows the familiar themes in a new light, linking them by strange modulations that have the effect of dissolving one scene into andissolving one scene into an

Mr Solomon caught the essential ecriness of wil this. In spite of the fragrance of Bizet's melodies, Busoni's work is ascetic, whereas Godowsky's Fledermaus paraphrase is a sumptunus labyrimh wherein Strauss's tunes are almost lost; or rather their innocence is undermined by a constantly shifting chromaticism. Mr Solomon played it with stylistic elegance and a necessary touch

Finally, another instalment in this adventurous planist's exposition of Sorabji.

Mieko Fuji Sadler's Wells

John Percival

About five minutes into the first ballet in Micko Fuji's pregramme, being given at Sadler's Wells all this week, I evolved a theory that every time a movement was introduced you could expect to see it repeated, usually by the whole cast, an average of at least 16 times. As the ballet wore on, 20 minutes, 30 minutes, 40 minutes and still going strong (well, still going), I gradually realized how ludicrously I had underestimated this choreographer's persistence.

I hereby nominate Seiza for inclusion in the Guinness Book.
of Records as the ballet in which the dancers most often enter at the back of the stage, run forward waving their arms, then return whence they came. Of course that is not all they do. During the middle section they walk instead of run and move from side to side instead. of forwards and back. Also, one man lies on the stage and one woman moves round in circles, moving her arms slowly up and down in gestures probably meant to suggest a bird.

food of clusters. You get them Japan. Just fancy that,

again in Mighty Tree, for in-stance. That is a shorter piece in which the dancers carry what look like plastic carnet heaters. The men lash the air with them, rather flercely, and the women at one point hold them vertically above their heads, like refugees from The Sorcer's Apprentice.

I think Suite Dance of Nippon is meant as light relief. It is described as adaptations of Japanese folk songs, but sounds like a rough imitation of Stra-viosky's comic miniatures. The fans and make little sounds while ghey dance.

The whole cast shouts angrily at the Deginning and end of Donten, so I know that is meant to be dramatic. At one point it starts to look and sound like an imitation Rite of Spring, but that does not endure.

There is a programme note for Domen about ancient potteries or clay dolls, but I could not relate it to what I saw, any more than with the synopsis for Seiza: "The source of a grain of Life is adrift in a transparent blue world and couples with Mother Energy.

And Life is born together with Death". The programme also says that Mieko Fuji is one of They often form clusters, the most original and inspira-po. Madame Fuji is rather gonal choreographer dancers in

and apply a smearing of razzle dazzle. Sometimes the name remained the same and sometimes it changed: Kismet became Timbuktu and Guys: and Dolls stayed Guys and Dolls. In both instances the results tended to be lamentuble. The wheel of fashion has now taken another revolve, and this time for the better. The present style is again to go back to the successes of the wandering gaze. The two per-formances, though, which really catch the eye come from Mar-rin Vidnovic, who manages to

past, but to re-create them al-most as they were. Even now a production of My Pair Lady is being assembled with the original Professor Hiegins, Rek Harrison, and his original Muma, Cathleen Nosbitt. It is one of half a dozen Alan Jay Lerner entertainments which will be revived around America this summer. Can. Can, Brigatioon and The Music Man are all on their way into town.

It hardly comes as a surprise then to find that the best musical on Broadway ut the mement is West Suic Story at the Minskoff. The curtain more the Minskoff in 1957, founding around on that back street on the Mest Suice contributions. the West Side early one summer, evening wairing for the chance to rumble with the Sharks. Now, as then, Oliver Sinth provides the drab, metal-he back lots which esge in New York's adolescents. And now, as there the story

is told more through dance and Leonard Bernstein's score than through words. This is said out of no disrespect to Arthur Laurents's succinet book or to Stephen Southein's s reflected in wartime casting. The air raid echoes the storm. deceptively simple luries. But West Side did change the face of car's three daughters relate to the musical. From those open-ing moments of bodies shiftthe ingenue, the complaining wife, and battle-ace stage manager who besiege Sir's dressing room, each with their ing warily in time with Bernstein's beat to the finale when ! en claims on his shrinking it is always dance which moves It is always dance which moves at the narrative on. West Side ing in other theatres. Better Stopp is about physical consumption and the tension that stages around 45th Street precedes vinlent action. The but it would be difficult to ensample is much more important the whiplash speed and consemble is much more important the whiplash speed and consemble is much more important to the dancing Robinston. Michael Elliott's production has been partly recast (not for he better) and drastically re-taged for London. The change from all arena to a proscenium renies us the optic slice of lear extracts on the Royal Exchange floor; but in other respects, Lauric Denners' set

> movement is once again Jerome Robbins, making his first return to Broadway since he worked on Fiddler on the Radi 16 years ago. Broadway needs him. Robbins brings with him an energy and a pre-cision that are too often lack-

Boston ensemble's tour

The Boston Symphony Chamber

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the only ensemble in the world



the bodies have become corpses, . Okluhoma ! .: Harry Groener and Christine Ebersole

The man in charge of the as Tony, but that might well he in the nature of the role: this Romeo, is a lover rather than a fighter. There are no such doubts about the quality of the girls, led by Jossie de

European tour. They visit Cambridge, Bedford and Brighton on the next three days.

Their London programme is of

music by Mozart, Beethoven and Stravinsky; in King's College Chapel. Cambridge, they include the Lyric Pieces, Op 36, by the Cambridge pro-

ing in other theatres. Better effervescent Anita. All, in all, a dazzling evening.

tant than the individual parts, reaction of the dancing Roband the big concerted bins achieves. The subject is
numbers—the Dance at the gang warfare and Robbins in the musical? The question
where and the final killing— up to one another, out for ably no leoincidence that in
are all far more effective than matching but a win. Ken
the arias and duers. ... Marshall is vocally rather nallid duers of West Side turned to Guzman, first noticed in Eliza with a habe old-fashioned abeth Swados's Runawars, as charm. One or two of the num-Maria and Debbie' Allen's bers look and sound like period.

Would there have been a West Side without Oklahoma!,

Jerome Robbins, so the Oklahoma! ream at the Palace looked to Agnes de Mille for the chareography, which she first created in 1943. She obliges again con brio. laced

John Higgins

make something of the role of Jud, and from Harry Groener, 7 to 31 May only an expert dancer with the cheery coordinative and professionalism of the young Jim Dale, as Will: We will be hear-The Merry Wives of Windsor On the way to the marinee of Oklahoma! I was warned person in the house by some 20 years. Not so. The stalls were filled with moppets learning the songs their grandparents grew up with almost 40 years And are there no new musicals? Well, yes,: just one or two. There is Sugar Bables at tribute to the days of burlesque may be a bit sanitized, but there is no doubting the showmanship of Mickey Rooney and Ann Miller or the acts they bring along with them, led by Bob Williams and his disobedient dog. Ann Miller, whose legs dazzle as much as they ever did has been having something





Wendy Hiller's return to West End

Dame Wendy Hiller is to return to the West End stage in a new mlay by Ronald Cow, The Old they include the Lyric. Pieces,
Op 36, by the Cambridge orofessor, of music, Alexander,
Goehr.

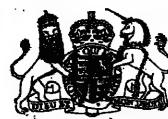
Goehr.

Cantings.

Jest. The play opens at the
Theatre Royal, Brighton, on
May 19, visits the Richmond
Goehr.

Theatre (May 26) and the

Alexandra Theatre, Birminghan (June 2), opening in London during the second week of Tune. The play is adapted from the novel of the same name, by Jennifer Johnston. It is direc-ted by Eric Thompson and designed by Peter Rice, and includes Roland Culver, Anthony Bate and Rosalind Ayres



COURT CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE
May 1: The Prince of Wales,
attended by the Hon Edward
Adeane and Captain Anthony
Asquith, arrived at fleathrow Airport-London today in an air-raft
of The Queen's Flight from The
Netherlands.

Memerianes.

His Royal Highness was present at the Annual Dinner of the Electronic Engineering Association at the Café Royal, Regent Street, W1. Mr Oliver .. Everett was in at-

The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark Phillips, this morning opened and toured Bradley's Show Village, Westlea Down and afterwards was presen tat luncheon. Her Royal Highness was re-sived upon arrival by Her-lajesty's Lord-Lieutenant for Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant for Wiltshire (the Lord Margadale) and the Chairman of E. H. Bradley and Sons Ltd (Mr L. Bradley). In the afternoon The Priocess Anne, Mrs Mark Phillips toured

Air Chief Marshal Sir John Barra-clough, 62; Brigadier F. C. Curtis. 82 : Instructor Rear Admiral Sir John Fleming, 76; Mr Alastair Forbes, 62; Sir Campbell Fraser. 57; Mr Henry Hall, 82; Colonel Sir Denys Hicks, 72; the Right Rev Dr L. S. Hunter, 90; Mr Clive Jenkins, 54; Admiral Sir Geoffrey Miles, 90; the Duke of Montrose, 71; Mr John Neville.

YORK HOUSE

at Lvdd.

ST JAMES'S PALACE

Birthdays today



The Archbishop of Canterbury, the Most Rev Robert Runcie, with the new Bishop of St Albans, the Ven John Taylor, yesterday after the Archbishop had consecrated his successor to the diocese of St Albans at a service in Westminster Abbey.

I oday's engagements Princess Anne and Captain Mark Phillips attend Farriers' Com-pany dinner, Mansion House,

7.25.
Prince Michael of Kent opens exhibition of the works of David Wynne, Camizaro House, Wimbledon, 12.

Wynne, Canalizaro House, Wimbledon, 12.
Exhibitions: National Society of Painters, Sculptors and Print Makers, Mall Galleries, The Mall, 10 to 5: The Vikings, British Museum, 10 to 5: From Pole to Pole, Geological Museum, South Kensington, 10 to 6; Frances Richards, paintings, drawings, embroideries, from 1926 to 1978, Campbell and Franks, 37 New Cavendish Street, Portland Place; Regis Lansac.; poetic photography, Dorothy Wade, Scenes of Venice and other gouaches, Woodstock Gallery, 16 Woodstock Street, Oxford Street, 10 to 6.

to 6.
Lectures: Duchamp, by Sarah
O'Brien-Twohigh, Tate Gallery,
1: "The City through 18 centuries", by Hugh Chapman and
John Clark, Museum of London,
Barbican, 1.0: Mozart, Olivier
Bleake, South Bank, 5.45;
Tennyson Society, "The Poerry
of Vision", by Professor E. F.
Shannon, jur, Usher Gallery,
Lindum Road, Lincoln, 8.

Lunchtime studic: Contert by Lional Sainsbury, Guildhall School of Music and Drama, 1.10. rial service : Major-General Sir Dougizs Campbell, Royal Hospital, Chelses, 11.30.

Latest appointments

Latest appointments include:
Dr John P. Hearn, director of
the Wellcome Isboratories of comparative physiology of the
Zoological Society of London,
to be director of science and
director of the Institute of
Teology Trop. Conveying to the institute of Zoology from August 1, on the retirement of Dr L. G. Goodwin. Squadron Leader Adum Wise, and 36, commander of the University of Wales Air Squadron, to be Equerry to the Queen, in succession to Lieutenant Commander Robert Gue. Commander Robert Guy.

Sir Francis Sandilands, chairman and director of the Commercial Union Assurance Company, to be a member of the Royal Fine Art

Legal S. Dobry, OC, to be circulit judze to outh-eastern Circuit.

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Forthcoming

Mr P. J. Green
and Miss C. F. Paradise
The engagement is announced
between Philip, son of Joseph and,
Toby Green, of 43 Avenue Road,
Loudon, NW8, and Caroline,
daughter of Jamet Paradise and
the late Isadore Herbert Paradise,
of 21c Highgate Close, London, N6.

The engagement is announced between Jonathan, youngest son of Mr and Mrs John Cameron Hawkos, of Lynham Court, Rock, Cornwall, and Georgina, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Rogar de Verse, of Morperh Terrace London. Vere, of Morpeth Terrace, London.

Rivermead Court, London, and Shella, cldest daughter of hir and the Mrs A. M. Jaffe, of Llandudio, North Wales.

Mr A. P. Schlesinger and Miss N. A. Jacobs
The eugagement is announced between Anthony younger son of Mr and Mrs A. Schlesinger, of St. John's Wood, London, and Nicola, daughter of Mr and Mrs D. A. Jacobs, of Regent's Park, Landon

Mr J. M. Smithells
and Mrs D. L. Baskervyle-Glegg
The engagement is aunoinced
between John Michael Smithells,
of Hillside. Underhill. Marsfield,
Sussex, and Diana Louise Baskervyle-Glegg, of Tower House,
Snowhill, Crewley. Down, Sussex.

Mr. P. L. Taylor
and Miss J. C. Baird
The engagement is announced
between Peter, eldest son of Mr
and Mrs Malcolm Toylor, of
Bitting, Kent, and Joanus,
daughter of Mr and Mrs Robert
Baird, of Eton College, Windsor.

Major R. P. C. Vaux and Miss M-C. Gloyens
The engagement is announced hetween Robert Vaux, Royal Tank Regiment, son of Brigadier and Mrs P. A. L. Vaux, of Fleet, Hampshire, and Mary-Catherine, daughter of Mr and Mrs G. Gioyens, of The Fairway, Devizes, Wiltshire.

and Dr H. V. Burton and Dr H. V. Surton
The engagement is announced between Clyde, eldest son of Mr and Mrs E. E. Webb, of Loton, Bedfordshire, and Hilary, younger daughter of Dr and Mrs T. F. Burton, of Trinity Hill, Ripon, North Yorkshire.

Mr N. J. lyebber
and Miss H. M. McCallum
The engagement is announced between Nigel, son of Mr and Mrs Julian Webber, of Italy and Saudi Arabia, and Heather, daughter of Mr and Mrs A. G. S. McCallum, of Pembroka Square, London, W8.

Marriages Mr S. I. Alexander and Miss S. M. C. Kirby The marriage took place in London on May 1, 1980, between Mr Stuart Ian Alexander and Miss Serena Mary Claudia Kirby.

Miss Caroline Behr. . .

The Tylers and Bricklayers Company at Carpenters' Hall yester-day. Mr D. M. Williams, Master, and Miss C. Behr
The marriage took place quietly in London on May 1, 1980, between Mr Rodney Hyde-Thompson and Miss Caroline Behr.

The Tylers and Bricklayers Company to Carpenters' Hall yester Southampton University Air Squadron to Carpenters' Hall yester and Bricklayers Company at Carpenters' Hall yester Southampton University Air Squadron to University A

Luncheons

HM Government Mr Reginald Eyre, Parliamentary Mr Regisallo Byte, Farbanehary Under Secretary of State for Trade, was host at a luncheon at Lancaster House yesterday in Minister of Industry and Commerce, Paraguay.

Bulchers' Company
The Master of the Butchers' Company, Mr Robert Cornell, presided
at a court luncheon held at.
Butchers' Häll yesterday, Mr Peter
Walker, Milister of Agriculture,
Fisheries and Food, was the
principal guest and Mr Robin Pooley also spoke.

Petternmakers' Company
The newly-elected Master of the The newly-elected Master of the Patternmakers' Company, Dr F. M. B. Taylor, presided at a luncheon at Founders' Hall yestarday for the Masters and Clerks of other livery companies. The Master proposed the toast to the guests and the Master of the Tallow Chandlers' Company, Mr Deputy J. T. Yates, replied.

Dinners Electronic Engineering

Electronic Engineering
Association
The Prince of Wales was the guest
of honour at the annual dinner
of the Electronic Engineering
Association held at the Cafe Royal
yesterday, and he responded to
the toast to the guests proposed
by Mr J. W. Sutherland, president of the association.

dent of the association.

Inner Temple.

The Prime Midister and the Speaker were entertained at dinner by the Treasurer. Sir Ashton Roskill, QC, and Masters of the Bench of the Inner Temple in the Inner Temple Hall on Wednesday, the Grand Day of Easter Term:

The other guests included:

Lord Aldington, Lord Sherfield, Lord Rigate, Lord Cross of Chales, Lord Rigate, Lord Cross of Chales, Lord Rigate, Lord Cross of Gray's Inn. Lord Roskill, Trajuror of Gray's Inn. Lord Roskill, Trajuror of the Middle Temple, the Mon Goorse Younger MP. Middle Temple, the Mon Goorse Younger MP. Gray Company Comp

Tylers' and Bricklayers' Company The Lord Mayor and the Lady Mayoress, accompanied by the Sheriffs and their ladies, attended a ledies' livery dinner given by the Tylers' and Bricklayers' Com-

Stationers' and Newspaper Makers' Company The Master of the Stationers' and The Master of the Stationers' and Newspaper Makers' Company, Mr Wilfrid Hodgson, the Upper Warden, Mr Kenneth Robinson, and the Under Warden, Mr David Wyndham-Smith, were hosts at a livery dinner held at Stationers' Hall yesterday to celebrate the granting of the Charter in May, 1557, Mr Arthur Grimwade, the Under Warden, Sir Denis Trustrott, the Master and the Clerk were the speakers.

Costaways Club The annual dinner of the Castaways.

Club was held last night at the
Hyde Park Hotel. Lieutenant
D. H. Starling presided. Among D. H. Starling presided. Among those present were:
Admirate Sir William Davis, Sir Jemes beele. Sir William Davis, Sir Jemes beele. Sir William Demond. Bur David Williams. Sir Demond. Bur David Sir Jemes Williams. Sir Sir Dymesk Wateon. Sir Sir Dymesk Wateon. Sir Jemes Sir Dymesk. Wateon. Sir Jemes Sir Dymes Sir Dymes Sir Dymes Sir Dymes Sir Alexander and R. R. Squires.

Social Science Research Council
The Social Science Research Council gave a dinner at the United Oxford and Cambridge Club yes-terday for visiting delegates from the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences. Mr. Michael Poaner. chairman, presided, and among the guests were:

The Ambassador of Chine, Mr. Buan Xiang and Mr. Xal Nai 'Inader' and denuity leader of the idealine, Mr. J. P. Carswell and Professor M. J. Wise.

Service dinners

HAC
Members of the Honourable Artillery Company Mess Club, their ladies and guests dead at Armoury House yesterday. Colone E. Grey Turner, president of the club, presided and Captain W. D. Pryke and Baroness Airey of Ablugdon elso spoke.

No 1 Group
Air Vice-Marshal M. W. P.
Kuight and officers of No 1 Group
gave a dinner last night at RAF
Bawtry in honour of Marshal of
the Royal Air Fonce Sir Dermot
Boyle, Air Chief Marshall Sir
David Evans, AOCiaC STC, and
other furmer air officers commanding. manding.

Wing Commander J. D. Coliman

P. J. G. E. McG. Cullum presided. I name of Tiffany & Co.

Science report

Record price OBITUARY of \$270,000 for US folk

painting_ By Our Sale Room

Correspondent
One of the large series of paintings entitled "The Peaceable
Kingdom", by the early-nineteenth-century American folk
artist. Edward Hicks, was sold at
Sotheby Parke Berner in New
York on Wednesday for \$270,000
(estimate \$125,000 to \$150,000), or
\$118,943. Sotheby's claim it as a
record auction price for the folk
art of any nadon.

record auction price for the folk art of any nation.

Hicks's "Peaceable kingdoms" are extremely attractive composi-tions; they are based on a text by Isaiah and show the lion lying down with the lamb as well as many other animals, and some early American settlers shaking hands with red Iudians. This week's example is dated 1844-45; one or two usually come up for one or two usually come up for auction every year.

Otherwise the sale of American paintings was not as easy as usual, About one in every three failed to sell, the auchon totalling 5508,965.

508,965.
In a sale of American silver 44 of 220 lots were unsold and the total was \$188,577. A silver coffee pot dating from about 1775, by Paul Revere, of Boston, the most sought after American silver smith, sold for a record \$64,000 testimate \$35,000 to \$45,000; £28,194, to a New York dealer; it weighs 4207.
One of the preguest rapides of

weighs 42oz.
One of the greatest rarities of Romantic publications. William Blake's Songs of Innocence and of Experience, showing the Two Contrary States of the Human Soul, with 55 etched plates by Blake himself, sold for £16,000 testimate £7,500 to £10,000 to Andrew Edmunds, a London dealer, in a book auction at Sotheby. Charcery Lane, yesterday.

it is a copy unknown to Sir Geoffrey Keynes when he re-corded all the known copies of the work; it bears a pencil note recording that it was "Bought of Blake, May, 1816". Blake printed and attempted to sell the work about 1789-94 but there were almost no takers. The book auction totalled £38,271, with eight lots, or less

than 1 per cent, unsold. A sale of textiles, embroidery and costume at Phillips also proved popular, with a total of £36,736 and only 3 per cent unsold. The top price of £1,350 testimate £600) was aid by Dick Temple, the London icon dealer. for a nineteenth-century Japan-ese silk-embroidered wall banging. The fine embroidery depicts fiery dragons chasing the pearl in a sea of waves and clouds. An eighteenth-century gearle-man's waistcoat of ivory silk embroidered with flowers, reputed to have belonged to the great actor, David Garrick, made 5149 (estimate 50 to 550) to a German

dealer. A pair of mid-eighteenth-century stays of brown cotton with whalebone ribs, sold for a remarkable £500 (estimate £200 £250) to Smolar.

A sale of nighteenth and sarly thentieth century silver. twentierb-century aliver at Sotheby's Belgravia proved fairly dissertous, with 32 per cent un sold; it was followed by a sale of virtu which had only 8 per cent bought in. The two together services 593 219.

bought in. The two together totalled £93.219.

Rare Art Inc a United States dealer, paid the top price of the day of £5,500 (estimate £5,000-£8,000) for an elaborate Viednese according to the control t

enamel horn, stand and cover by Hermann Bohm. There was an unexpected price for a lan when an English private collector paid £1,200 (estimate £200 to £250) for a French ivory

to cope with decimants caused by natural events. The droughts in the mid 1970s were among the most important of these disturb-ances from which the colony did not recover. Insufficient time was

left to establish a larger site. With hindsight, it is clear that the butterfly could have been saved if the measures taken at the heginning of the 1970s had been started five years earlier. The will and the restures the result is less and the started five years earlier.

and the resources were available then, but without the knowledge gained later the measures taken at that time were seen to be brelevant or even harmful.

Orga. The Fauna Preservation Society, Vol XV No 3.

SIR HILDRETH GLYN-JONES Former High Court Judge

Sir Hildreth Glyn-Jones, TD, in 1952 and earlier as leader. FPS, who was a Judge of the of the Wales and Chester Circults. Beach Division of the cuit. Bed. As Recorder. of High Court of Justice from Merthyr Tydfil and of Cardiff, offices he held respectively in at the age of 85.

Hildreth Glyn-Jones was the son of Sir William Glyn-Jones who was called. Within the Bar in 1943, was one of those men who combined

1953 to 1968, died on April 30, at the age of 85.

Hildreth Glyn-Jones was the son of Sir William Glyn-Jones, in his day a leading chemist. He was born on March 19, 1895, and was educated at the City of London School. After military service in the First World War, he qualified as a pharmacist, but the law had already attracted him and in 1921 he was called to the Bar by the Middle Temple. He won his way without any hereditary legal background, but his war service and his earlier scientific studies of those men who combined efficiency and charm with a totally unassuming manner and in the course of his successful career he made many friends, both high and low. When he was appointed to the Queen's Beach there was no more popufar choice and nowhere was the appointment received with greater enthusiasm than among the Benchers of the Middle Temple, who had elected him and his earlier scientific studies initially hindered his advanceone of their number early in 1952. He also served as Deputy ment and be attained success rather later in life than the Chairman of Berksbire Quarter Sessions from 1951 to 1962. the Territorial Decoration in 1950 and was knighted in 1953. But few honours gave him

rather later in life than the average practitioner. From 1939 to 1944 he served in the Middlesex Regiment, Machine Gun Corps, and in the Judge Advocate-General's Office.
During the struggle which almost every barrister who makes good has to surmount, he sained an all-round experihe gained an all-round experi-ence in both civil and criminal cases, which equipped him fully for the arduous responsibilities of a Queen's Bench Judge. This had been already exemplified

greater pleasure than the ack-nowledgment of his "other talent" in his election, after his retirement from the Bench, to Fellowship of the Pharmaceuti-cal Society in 1975. by his work as a Commissioner Melville and there were three of Assize on the Oxford Circuit daughters of the marriage.

He married in 1921, Kath-leen, daughter of Thomas

Glyn-Jones had been awarded

DR JOHN SAXTON

Dr John Saxton, CBE, FIEE, his reputation in Europe and who died on April 17 at the North America. One result was age of 65 after a short illness his accepting an invitation in had been Consultant, Directorate of Radio Technology, Texas where he spent a year as Home Office, since 1977. During visiting professor of electrical his distinguished career he. played a prominent role in radio research and his sound judgment and good, advice on radio science and many other areas of science and management were experiented, not only by the council of the Science Research Council, but

also by its setronomy base and radio board and the United Kingdom and international committees on which he served. As director of the United Kingdom scientific mission in Washington and scientific councillor at the British Embassy, there, from 1964 to 1965, John Saxton made

a considerable contribution to the fostering of Anglu-American scientific cooperation and the many British scientists who benefited from having their experiments carried on NASA satellites have much tothank him for.
John Arthur Saxton was born

on June 28, 1914, and educated at Loughborough Grammar School and London University Imperial College Governors' Prize for Physics in 1935. He spent two years as a Demon-strator in Physics at Imperial College before joining the staff the then Department of Research at the National on honovary doctorate of engineering by the University of he moved to the Radio Research Sheffied in 1979.

of the Appleton Laboratory who carned great respect formerly Radio and Space affection from colleagues. Research Starion), Science Research Council.

high frequencies established daughter.

visiting professor of electrical

engineering.
In the decade preceding his retirement in 1977, 'Dr Saxton' successfully carried out the important task of directing the Appleton Laboratory's prime function towards the support of university projects particularly in the space field. The unqualified success of many of the projects for which the labora-tory has been responsible was in no small measure due to his personal involvement. Aerial V. probably the most successful United Kingdom civil space satellire, is one outstanding example.

He maintained the excellence of the laboratory's research programme in radio propagation. much of it in collaboration with universities, and maintained the laboratory's capacity to advise government departments and other bodies on radio matters. His interest in his chosen field did not flug after his retire-ment. He continued as a con-sultant to the Home Offices' Directorate of Radio Technowhere he graduated with a logy. At the end of 1978 he First in Physics and took the carried through the difficult task of presiding over the special prepartory meeting for WARC—the World conference to allocate the use of radio frequencies. This year he was elected to the fellowship of

he moved to the Radio Research.

Station, where he became Sexton was a dedicate.

Sexton was a dedicate.

Deputy Director in 1960. From hard-working scientist not provide the sexton hard-working scientist not provide the sexton hard-working areas respect and He was appointed CEE in

1973. His early work on the Saxton married, in 1939, dielectric properties of the st Kathleen Florence Cront, mosphere and on studies of daughter of Alfred H. Crook: radio wave propagation at very They had one son and one

LUIS MUNOZ MARIN

Puerto Rico and played a major pointment).
role in the island's economic Munoz M development, died on April 30 election, for governor over-in San Juan. He was 82. whelmingly and with United

Munoz Marin who was born himself to political life and the regeneration of the island. His father, Luis Munoz Rivera had been at the forefront of the struggle for freedom from Spanish rule in the 1890s, a movement which had ended in Puerro Rico's becoming a

Luis Munoz Marin who was elective (it had previously been the first elected governor of a United States government ap-Munoz Marin won the first

States aid proceeded to " Operain 1898 had earned a living tion Bootstrap", the pro-through journalism in the gramme of industrial develop-United States in the 1920s be-ment which transformed the United States in the 1930s before deciding to return to economy of the island. His was
Puerto Rico in 1931 and devote also a significant role in perhimself to political life and the sunding the United States Consunding the United States

gress to grant Puerto Rico a measure of autonomy as a Commonwealth of the United States, in 1952. By the time Munos Marin came to the end of his last gubernatorial term in 1964 Puerto Rico's becoming a under great advances. To under the Popular Democratic Party which committed within the island out that only Common. the economy of the island had made great advances. To the was unable to achieve very wealth status, while it re-much until the United States stricted election rights, could Congress voted to make the commutes the future of Puerto post of Governor of Puerto Rico Rico's Hispenic culture.

REAR ADMIRAL N. E. H. CLARKE

Rear Admiral N. E. H. Clarke. (1943 to 1947), and from 1947 CB, a Naval engineering special to 1949 he was at HM Dockist, died on April 27 at the yard in Singapore.

age of 75. Noel Edward Harwood Clarke was born on again at Admiralty, this time as Trafalgar Day, 1904, the son of Henry Trevisa Clarke and Mar-garet Evelyn Sale, and edu-cated at the Royal Naval Colleges Oshome and Dart-mouth, and also the Royal Naval Engineering College, Keyham. He served in engineering appointments in HM Ships Kent (1930-33), and Cairo (1932-34)

and was at HM Dockyard, on the Staff Officer (Technical) on the Staff of the Commander-lin-Chief, Portsmouth.

He was in the cruiser, Sheffield as Senior Engineer from 1936 to 1939 and at Admiralty from 1939 to 1941.

After his retirement he worked from 1963 to 1968 at Admiralty from 1939 to 1941.

Subsequent approximately were ment Office. Subsequent appointments were ment Office. HMS Cumberland (1942-47) and the mar HMS Excellent, the Gunnery Katherine Miller, daughter of School at Whale Island where Harman Visger. They had two he was in charge of ordnance sons.

From 1949 to 1952 he was again at Admiralty, this time as Deputy Chief Ordnance Engineer Overseer, and from 1952 to 1956 he was at HM Dock-

yard at Gibraltar as Chief Engincer. He was subsequently Director of Fleet Maintenance of Admiralty and from 1958, to 1960 when he retired, he was Command Engineer Officer and Chief Staff Officer (Technical)

MR MORRIS STOLOFF

died in Los Angeles on April 16. He was in his mid-eightics. Born in Philadelphia, he made his first United States concert tour at the age of 16 and in the 1920s became a member of the string section of the Los An-geles Philharmonic. He was Concert Master of the Paramount Studio Orchestra for eight years before being ap-pointed Musical Director of Columbia Pictures in 1936.

Horizon, A Sung to Remember, Pienic and From Here to Eternicia, he was also musical director of David Lean's Low-rence of Arabia, although he received no screen credit.

Throughout his life the dis-Throughout his life he discovered and championed new

talent, the most notable being the young Frank Sinatra who he brought to the notice of his

marriages

55 : Commander Sir Allan Noble. 72; Sir Ronald Sinclair, 77; Dame

Nancy Snagge, 74; Sir Geoffrey

Mr D. G. Harper
and Miss S. A. J. Mocalta
The engagement is announced
between David. son of Major and
Mrs J. G. Harper, of Priory Close,
Horton-cum-Studiey. Oxfordshire,
and Jacqueline, youngest daughter
of Commander and Mrs M. E.
Mocatta, of Floudwood, Froxfield.
Hampshire.

Mr J. G. C. Hawkes and Miss G. I. D. de Vere

Mr M. J. McGlen
and Miss F. J. Forbes
The engagement is announced
between Marc, only son of Mrs
P. C. M. McGlen and the late J. J.
McGlen, of Cheltenham, Gloucestershire, and Felicity Jane. only
daughter of Major D. A. Forbes
and the late Mrs D. J. Forbes,
of Newbury, Berkshire:

Mr J. W. Medcair
and Miss P. E. Bollom
The engagement is announced
between John William, younger
son of the Rev J. E. and Mrs
Medcail, of Heath Town, Wolverhampton, and Patricia Elizabeth,
younger daughter of Mr and Mrs
Philip Bollom, of Chiton, Bristol.

Mr C. J. Milin
and Miss C. S. Bonsor
The engagement is announced between Christopher, elder son of Mr and Mrs John Milin, of Froglene Farm, Rotherwick, Hampshire, and Charlotte, daughter of Mr and Mrs Michael Bonsor, of Broadfield House, Yattendon, Berkshire.

Mr B. M. O. Robinson and Miss S. Jaffe and Miss S. Jame
The engagement is announced between Miles, eldest son of Mr and Mrs G. M. O. Robiuson, of

Memorial service Mr G. Butchinson
The Prime Minister was represented by Mr Ian Gow, MP, at a memorial service for Mr George Hutchinson held yesterday at St. Bride's, Fleet Street. Probendary Dewi Morgan officiated. Mr Alexander Chancellof; Editor of The Services and the Jesson and Alexander Chancellof: Editor of The Spectotor, read the lesson and Sir Iaa Gilmour, MP, gave an address. Others present included: Mrs. Hutchinson wildow, Mr Mark Hutchinson; wind, Mr and Mrs land Lovene (son-in-law and daughter, Mr and Mrs John Thirkell derother-in-law and sistor-in-law; Mr Nick Thirkell, Mrs S, Lavene, Mr F, Kolasky, Mr F, A, Kolasky.

Mrs. 8. Lavene, Mr. F., Kolasky, Mr. F. A., Kolasky, Lord Espenioni, the Dowager Lady Estrational Lord and Lady Fraser of Allingerack, Lord and Lady Strabolgi, Lord Cheiner, Mr. Vaurice Mainflain, 44F. Vir Villiam Deedkk, 19ditor, The Daily Tricgraph , Lady Clare Asquith, Str. John and Lady Tiney, Str. Gibert Longdon, Lady Corson, Str. Titod Constantino, Dame Susan Wilker, Str. Freddie Warren, Mr. Simon Courisatin, Imanaging editor, The Specialist, Imanaging editor, The Specialist, Imanaging Clark, Wire-challentin, Parliamentary Lobby Journalist, Mr. George Clark, Vier-challentin, Parliamentary Lobby Journalist, Mr. Rottale, Mr. George Clark, Vier-challentin, Parliamentary Lobby Journalist, Special String, Mr. Simon, Colling, The Simon, Colling, Challeng, Mr. Alan Campbell, and Alex Thompson, Mr. Alan Campbell,

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Mr, and Mrs, T. E. Wiley, Mr Wittin,
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> 25 years ago From The Times of Tuesday, May 3, 1955 Arthur Deakin

The trade union movement looks strangely empty without the stordy flyurg of Arthur Deakin filling the spaces at the top. He would have retired in November would have retired in November and the election of his successor is already proceeding so that his sudden death deprives the movement of his guidance only six months earlier than would otherwise have been the case. He is the third to go of the quadrumvirate who for much of the postwar period held the leapership of the Trades Union Congress largely in their bands. Two years ago. Sir Lincoln Evans moved to the wise have been the case. He is the third to go of the quadrum virate who for much of the postivar period beld the theaptraing and the Trades Union Congress Target iv in their hands. Two years ago for the Congress Target iv in their hands. Two years ago for the Steel Board, Last year Sir William Lawther retired. Mr William Lawther retired Mr William con of the National Union of General and Municipal Workers is the only one of four who remains active in the counsels of the movement. There have been some signs in the last year or two that there are powerful forces straining against the present pattern of union policy. Rasically what seems to be happening is a revolt against the levelling up of the wages and status of the unskilled manual worker which has been going on since the beginning of the war.

Ecology: A butterfly's extinction liar changes of their habitats such than habitat destruction or underas ploughing, afforestation, urban development and quarrying. But Maculinea arion had a life cycle which was disturbed by more changes to like surroundings than were understood by this obvious list of destructive developments, the copy with declination caused to copy with the copy wit

By Pearce Wright

Science Editor Why did the Large Blue butterfly become extinct in spire of a "big" effort to protect it from such a fate? The question is examined by Dr Jeremy Thomas of the institute of Terresprist Ecology in Orax, the journal of the Fauna Preservation Society.

"big" effort to protect it from such a fate? The question is examined by Dr Jeremy Thomas of the Institute of Terrestrial Ecology in Origs, the journal of the Faura Preservation Society.

As one of the team who worked with the Nature Conservancy Council on a special project over the past eight years to safeguard the insect. Dr Thomas suggests why their endeavours failed and why for age first time for more than \$0 years ago and active work to conservation as a possibility 100 years ago and active work to conservation and active work to conservation as a possibility 100 years ago and active work to conservation and active was unattended to the success of and needed for the success of active to the four active developments. The eggs of the Large Blue was unattended to the conservation and active work to conservation and active work to conservation and active was unattended to success.

The decline to extinction was recognized as a possibility 100 years ago and active work to conserve the species was in progress for about half a century. Destruction of about half the Large Blue colonies were attributed to lumi-

pattern grazing, was not apprecia-ted. But the last British colony became exercit for other reasons

Supper

Commonwealth Parliamentary Association
Too Secretary General of the
Commonwealth Parliamentary
Association gave a buffer supper
yesterday at 7 Old Palace Yard in
honour of Commonwealth parliamentarians visiting British as
guests of the United Kingdom
branch.

branch. Service luncheon

Air Chief Marsnal Sur Michael Beerlam, the Chief of the Air Staff, pre-ided ar the Spring lunckeon of the Air Marshals (Inb at the Royal Air Force Club yesterday. The fullowing marshals of the RAF and air thief marshals attended in adoition to 49 air marshals and air vice-marshals attended in adoition to 49 air marshals and air vice-marshals. Sir Nell Cameron Sur William Diction. Sir Nell Cameron Sur William Diction. Sir John Cameron Sur William Diction. Sir John Kennells Caron Sir Munh Cometantiam. Sir Death Hodelings Sir Bound Hardman. Sir Dorch Hodelings Sir Bound Hardman. Sir Dorch Hodelings Sir Beatel Dr. Sir Bouglas Lowe, Sir Res Res.

Royal Marines entries

Study of parish wins prize

By Our Religious Affairs By Our Religious Affairs
Correspondent
Mr John Whale, religious affairs
Correspondent of The Sunday
Times, is the winner of the Winifred Mary Stanford Prize. It was announced yesterday. The prize is awarded for a religious hook every two years and is worth £2,000.

His book, One Church, One Lord, was published by SCM, Press last.

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David G. T. Williams, MA, I,LM
(California), University reader in
public law, is to be President of
Wolfson College, from October 1. Keele

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Mr Morris Stoloff, one of the Without End. and eighteen most distinguished musicians to other Oscar nominations for work within the film industry. film scores which included Last

studio, and who remained a lite long friend. His death will He received three Academy he mourned by many musicians Awards, for scoring Cover Girl, and friends on both sides of The Jolson Story and Song the Atlantic.



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WHAT'S GOOD FOR LAZARD FRERES

Mr Ian 'MacGregor, who the British Steel Corporation, has had a long and distinguished career in international industry. Born a Scot and now a naturalized American citizen, he adds a cosmopolitan quality to his industrial and business achievements. Although he has not been a prominent figure in the British industrial scene, there is no reason to doubt that he has potentially much to contribute to the regeneration of the fortunes of the British steel industry. Since the time that he was ear-marked to be the chairman of British Leyland, ministers of both political parties and the senior civil servants principally involved have been much impressed by his personal

It is, therefore, all the more tragic that the circumstances in which his appointment, was announced yesterday by Sir Keith Joseph, the Secretary of State for Industry, should have been such as to destroy any positive impact that it might have made. The minister, Mr Mac-Gregor, himself and the United States investment bank, Lazard Freres, have combined in a major error of indgment. The prime responsibility, however, must lie with Sir Keith.

His argument is that the BSC is in a mess and that the Govern-ment should hire the best availshle new chairman and pay whatever is required by way of a transfer fee to get him. The ana-

is logy with the part show business shortly to become chairman of world of international football, which Sir Keith willingly accepted yesterday, is in itself distasteful. Mr MacGregor may no longer be a British citizen and there is no reason why businessmen should accept public sector chairmanships for a pittance. There ought, however, to be an element of public service in such employment. To deny it entirely. is the sort of misrake a Conserva-

tive government should not make.

Apart from the generally unfortunate quality of the way in which the appointment has been negotiated, there are a number. specifically unacceptable. elements that anyone with poli-tical judgement should have avoided. First, the compensation. fee being paid to Lazard Freres for the substantial loss of Mr MacGregor's services may be justified in principle, though it might have been expected that the bank would agree to release him at the request of a friendly government. The sum involved,. however, appears uncomfortably high. Mr MacGregor is already two years past normal retiring are. He had retired from his previous main job as chief executive officer of the American metals company. Amax. in 1977.

A flat sum of £675,000 for, the next three years in compensation: to the American partnership seems high. If the Government had been prepared to but that kind of money towards the improvement of the pay of nationalized industry chairmen, entirely new areas of possible

The authority is technically a

domestic rectuitment would have been open.

Secondly, it is wholly illogical that the compensation sum paid to Lazard Freres for the loss of Mr MacGregor should in addition to the £675,000 be increased by up to £1,150,000 on the basis the performance under bis chairmanship of the BSC itself. A transfer fee is a transfer fee. It is quite extraordinary that the British Government should have agreed to this further substantial payment to be calculated on the isis of events that have nothing to do with any loss that Lazard. Freres may have suffered by the departure of Mr MatGregor, or any contribution that Lazard Freres might make apart from foregoing his services. ...

It is, in addition, insensitive in the extreme, as the industry strives to climb out of the debris of the recent steel pay strike, to announce a payment of this size to a bank for the services of one man. Steelworkers would not be human if they did not compare their take with that of Lazard Freres. Leadership in an industry is vital. The role of an executive chairman should not be underestimated. But the BSC will only emerge from its rut by teamwork and co-operation. We must wish Mr MacGregor well, for his failure would further damage the national interest. He has, however, been given the worst possible start by Sir Keith. If these were the only terms on which he was prepared to serve, he should not have been ap-

NO EASY ANSWER TO A REAL PROBLEM.

The Inner London Education Authority is an anomaly, and an expensive one. The official inquiry into its future announced by the Government this week will have no difficulty in finding evillence that it works unsatisfactority in a number of ways. It may find it less easy to put forward an alternative which does not promise to be at least rs unsatisfactory. The golden rule, in local government affairs these days is to attempt no reorganization which does not guarantee unmistakeable gains, ourweighting the expense and confusion that can be counted on to accompany any extensive remodelling.

The case against ILEA is easily. made. It spends more per pupilthan any other education authprity in the country, and its achievements in terms of examinution successes are below averrge, even. it is claimed, when its special problems of urban deprivation are allowed for. Because of its great size, its lines of communication are long, a fault emphasized by over-centralization of administrative control. In the schools themselves, by contrast, its inspectors were too. rejerant of eccentric and inadequate teaching, at least until the unhappy William Tyndale affair made it obvious that control had been too lay. The constitutional position of the authority is illadapted to coping with these problems, and (which is perhaps more important) ill-adapted to creating public confidence that it can do so. .

committee of the Greater London Council, with members drawn from the GLC, the twelve boroughs in its area, and the City (the outer London boroughs their own education services). It has power to raise money at its own discretion through the boroughs (education accounts for as much as half of the rate demands of the latter). Its boundaries are drawn in such a way that Labour enjoys perpetual control. The result is that education is not really a political issue either in borough or GLC elections, and councillors have little incentive at either level to interest themselves in how their local schools are run, nor in what is spent on them.

The simplest solution to these. problems would be to do away with the anomaly, and transfer responsibility for education to each inner borough. Subject to the findings of the inquiry, that solution seems to have nothing but simplicity to recommend it. The boroughs vary enormously raise their rates by well over half. Even the strongest opponents of H.EA accept that some system for sharing re-sources would be essential.

The pattern of schooling in the area as it has grown up throughout the century pays no regard to borough boundaries; to provide a complete service, there would also have to be extensive sharing of facilities. It

is widely acknowledged that ILEA is able to provide many specialist services at an exceptionally high standard; this is possible only because they are organized on a large scalc. Finally, the population in the area is falling; the adaptation to this needs to be planned over the area as a whole (which, it is predicted, will in any case be no larger in population than several other education authorities by 1985).

A borough-by-borough system would therefore be burdened with so many cross-boundary arrangements, only indirectly accountable to the electors, that it might produce little gain in democracy at an increase, not a saving, in administrative costs. Yet the problem remains. The Marshall inquiry of 1978, set up by the Conservative GLC, proposed putting education squarely into borough politics by retaining ILEA; but drawing its members entirely from the boroughs. and increasing their number. That is on possibility. The new in their wealth; to maintain inquiry should also consider standards, several would have to ... whether some boroughs .unwillingly roked into ILEA might be able to make a case for taking on their own responsibility for education. ILEA could scarcely exist under a permanent threat of secessions, but the minister might give boroughs two years. say, to demonstrate that they could provide adequate services alone and, equally important, that this would be done without detriment to their neighbours.

THE LAW LORDS OPEN A POVERTY TRAP

The availability of legal aid is not always an unmixed benefit, 24 the House of Lords recognized in its indement yesterday in a case involving what Lord Scarman referred to as "a poverty trap set by the legal aid legislation in the very heartland of the modern matrimonial law ".

The unfortunate victim was a Mrs Hanlon, a lady of limited means who, after years of litigation, finally divorce obtained a court order giving her the former matrimonial home. In the process she used un 18,000 in legal costs, which was paid by the legal aid fund. The law allows such costs to be set off against any assets gained through the litigation, and the law Society (which has responsibility for civil legal aid) accordingly placed a charge on her house.

Thousands of similar charges are registered annually, and the amount involved runs into ermains dormant for as long as the individual continues to live in the property but it is activated as soon as there is a sale. Mrs Hanlon found the upkeep of the matrimonial home beyond her means and wished to move to a

Moral standards

no legal offence.

Trans Professor T. A. Roberts

Sir. I refer to the letter (April 25) from two members of the Depart

ment of Theology at Durham Uni-

terdity, Prostitution is not tin England and Wales) a criminal offence in the Lunden case to which

they teter, neither the women who entaistered" thy entaging in

sexuel activity) to their male clients nor the male clients were

prosecuted. In the case of the lutter, that they were male and respectable (or distinguished) is beside the

(legal) point. They had committed

Certain activities connected with

proctitution, such as running a brathel, or allowing one's premises to be used as a brothel, or living

smaller home. If she sold her house, however, the Law Society allowing it to be transferred. would recoup the legal aid costs and leave her with insufficient capital even for the purchase of a cheaper house.

The case raised more than one issue of law, and the House of Lords in fact dismissed Mrs Hanlon's appeal on a separate point. All five law lords, however, agreed that the operation of the charge could be unjust, and one of them. Lord Lowry, suggested its abolition. The others, while not going that far, were of the opinion that the Law Society had the discretion to allow the charge to be tranferred from one property to another—a discretion which the Law Society did not believe was within its powers.

That is a sensible approach which, assuming the Law Society exercises its discretion sympathetically, should eliminate the kind of dilemma posed by the Hanlon case. It would not be open for an individual to carry a charge around from house to house in perpetuity because as soon as it became clear that no hardship would be caused by the charge being activated the Law

off the immoral earnings of provi-

tutes are criminal offences. In the

ondon case a lady was success-

fully convicted of such offences.

Again, her sex was irrelevant. Many

such prosecutions (if not the majority) involve men, as for example being guilty of living off the immoral examines of prostitutes.

It is right that those who administer legal aid, and who are therefore trustees of public money, should take care that the legal aid scheme is not abused or its funds wasted on the undeserving. In cases where legally aided litigants are successful, and as a result greatly improve their financial position, it was reasonable that they should be required to reimburse their legal costs to the fund which provided the money. At the same time, it is possible to temper keen control of public funds with flexibility and humanity in applying the rules in particular cases of bardship. It may be that the result of the Hanlon case will be to reduce the amount of money in the legal aid fund, because some costs which up to now would have been recoverable may permanently escape the clawback. The House of Lords was nevertheless right to interpret the law in the way it did. Legal aid, after all, is a social service and their lordships on this occasion showed

Society would no doubt stop

Where then is the hyprocrisy? The Durham theologians do not think the law should be used to enforce public morality. Traditionally Christian merality has strongly condemned prostitution, but since prostitution is not a criminal offence, in this particular case, the Yours sincerely, T. A. ROBERTS. law is not used to enforce morality (In some states in the United States Awelon. prostitution is a legal offence). Comins Coch, What then do they mean? Do they advocate the abolition of the exist-

decision.

ing laws (in England and Wales) relating to activities connected with prostitution? What the law does not forbid becomes legally permissable. The abolition of these laws is likely to lead to the rapid and extensive commercialization of prostitution. At present the law is used to prevent such an undesirable state of affairs. Are we'to infer from the Durbara theologians that they no longer believe that the commercialization of prostitution is an undesirable state of affairs; or however undesirable it may be, that the law must on no account be used to prevent it?

that they appreciated the wider

social implications of their

quiry?

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Mrs Thatcher's stance in the EEC

From Sir Peter Tennant

Sir. Bismarck maintained that the

proper use of words was to conceal meaning. The "New Speak" of the

budget contribution is unjust and agreement on increased farm prices

would add an unwarranted burden for the British taxpayer and con-

sumer and would also hasten the day, which is not far off anyhow,

when the Community bankrupts itself through the riotous living of

wish binkriping it. Britain needs a strong and prosperous Community, not one that wastes its substance on subsidizing surpluses of unwanted products, some of which, the butter, are bought at rock-bottom prices by a French communist millionaire and resold to the Russians.

benefits most from the common agricultural policy and it would not

help. Giscard d'Estaing two years' bence in the election if the French farmer voter were to find the CAP

If we have to have surpluses let

us produce useful ones which can be distributed to the starving and needy in our bwn countries and the third world. If for social reasons

beyond the resources of the Com-

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She has declared her total com-

its farm policy.

Violence on the Underground :

From the Managing Director (Rail-

cannot accept his suggestion that it is becoming unsafe to travel by Underground. We do, after all, carry 11 million passengers every week, all but a handful without incident of any kind. The troublemakers at Leicester Square were football supporters. The station staff did all they could in the circumstances, which was to

in the circumstances, which was to call for police assistance. Police were quickly on the scene, but by then the vandais had gone.

There is no way, that the small London Transport section of the British Transport Police can maintain an effective presence at all: 250 Underground stations, some of which are very large. While was are hoping to set authority for a are hoping to get authority for a substantial increase in the size of this force—from below 200 to perhaps 500—our priority must be to improve communication systems so that officers can outlikly get to the scene of any trouble.

scene of any trouble.
We at London Transport are honing for a constructive our orne from next Tuesday's Home Office conference on the problem of violence on mublic transport. We shall be looking for assistance to enable us looking for assistance to enable us
to spend more money on policing
and on communications: we want
more radio frequencies for police
use 'we want a change in the law
so that an assault on a uniformed
transport worker would be recarded
for prosecution nurposes as
assoubly as an assault on, a police
officer; and we shall be urging
stiffer penalties for offenders.
None of these measures will, I
fear, eliminate violence and hooliganism. These are social problems

ganism. These are social problems as much in our streets as on our fransport systems, and society must find the solutions. Until it does. we shall do our utraner to gain protection for our staff and our masengere. Yours faithfulle.

W. W. MAXWELL Managine Director. Fondon Under cound. 55 Broad bay, SW1. May 1.

Overcrowding of prisons From Mr M. J. Calvert

Sir. Mr Whitelaw has announced measures to reduce the overcrowding of our prisons (report, May 1). During the past year, as High Sheriff of Surrey, I studied our penal system and was impressed by the expense and ineffectiveness in terms of reconviction rates of every type of custodial sentence. Remov ing men from their homes makes them more likely to commit further offences on their corum. Unfortunately our courts often have little

alternative at present.
We need clear guidelines from Government to coordinate and develop our non-custodial sanctions such as community service, attendance centres and intermediate treampent. Those organizing them must be made to realize that if these are to be alternatives to custody, they must be enforced and be sufficiently strong so that the courts and the public as a whole can look on them as sufficient punishment for the crimes committed.

integ. In addition we need a change in the law so that a sentencer may add one of these non-custodial sentences to a short period of as little as one week in custody. A recall procedure would allow an offender to be called back into custody for another short shock if he did not cooperate. If our non-custodial sentences gained the confidence of the courts, sentence such as this could often e used in a situation that earns three to six-mouth custodial sentence now. Yours faithfully,

M. J. CALVERT, Ockley Court, Ockley. Surrey.

Loving with the mind

From the Reverend Professor Barnabas Lindars Sir, Biblical Hebrew dees not have

a word for mind (letters, April 22, and 28) and usually the heart is referred to as the sest of intelligence. The soul (literally windpipe) is used for aspirations and temper The emotions are represented by the bowels and kidneys (reins), but also sometimes by the heart.

The semantic range of these expressions does not exactly coincide with that of their usual English acquirelents. In Mark 12 and Take

equivalents. In Mark 12 and Luke 10 the addition of mind represents a double translation of either soul or heart and is not intended to be an additional faculty.

In fact, the listing of dree (or four) faculties is intended to indicate totality. The law of Moses cate totality. The law of Moses commanded the Israelites to love God with all their faculties, and Jesus confirmed this. It is good that on this point, Jews and Christians are in agreement, and surely the same applies to adherents of other faiths.

Yours sincerely. BARNABAS LINDARS, SSF, Faculty of Theology, University of Manchester, Manchester.

London's third airport

From Mrs Rhoda Evans Sir, I was astonished to read of the British Airports Authority's de-clared intention to purchase 1,500 acres of land around Stansted air-port prior to the public inquiry on

Sir. I cannot tell Mr Parker (April its expansion.
Surely this is using public money to acquire land that may never be used for the airport or has the decision to make it the third London airport already been made... In which case why is time and money being wasted on a public in-Yours faithfully, RHODA EVANS, Evelyns, Little Easton.

Sir, Your strictures on Mrs Thatcher today (April-30) for failing to agree with Herr Schmidt and President Giscard in Luxembourg might have heen justified if West Germany and France were as staunch in supporting the United States in the Arguan crisis as Britain.
The same World at One in which

meaning. The "New Speak" of the European Community, with works such as convergence, juste retour, parallelism and Community spirit meaning more or less the opposite to what one would expect, is a perfect example of his dictum. Mrs Thotcher is accused of lacking Community spirit because she is concerned that the level of Eritain's budget contribution is unjust and you carried your criticism to a wider audience reported that our Euro-pean friends had just sold 20,000 tonnes of buffer to the Soviet Union at 50p a lb below the normal price. I do not think that Mrs Thatcher would have agreed with that, cither, Nor, I fancy, would President Carter. Yours sincerely, C. L. FOX, Heatherbrow, The Ridges, Finchampstead,

mitment to the Community and would find this difficult to reconcile with bankripting it. Britain needs Berkshire. April 30. From Mr Constantine C. Cambouroraulos Sir, Is it not refreshing to see a

Community finances are in dis-army and so for little notice seems with a meaningless compromise: to have been taken of Christopher Tugendhar's speech in Hamburg in which he argued sensibly for proper budget control by the Council of Yours faithfully, CONSTANTINE C. CAMBOURO-Ashcroft Ministers and finance ministers and the European Parliament so that the Ringmer, Lewes, agricultural ministers could be restrained from overspending the resources of the Community It is after all the French farmer who

British Prime Minister coming back with no agreement, rather than one

April 30. From Mr Stephen Ross, MP for Isle of Wight (Liberal) Str. Thank goodness for your leading article today (April 30). The world situation is too dangerous for

us to be at loggerheads with our European partners and Mrs Thatcher should have appreciated this fact. Only my colleague Russell Johnston had the courage to put this to her in the Commons on Tuesday, but his was a voice in the wilderness, such is the lack of vision in Parliament just now. Yours faithfully,

shepherds in the Auvergne or Scottish crofters, let each country en its own add a topping up deficiency, payment agreed between the member countries. STEPHEN ROSS. House of Commons. Prom Dr Michael G. Jeffrics

The devotees of fudging issues with the "New Speak" of the Community spirit will very soon deal death blow to this great edventure of the European Community unless they return to the realities of everyday life and language. Sir, I imagine that the decision by the EEC Commission to further subsidize the Russian economy is to ensure that they can efford guns and botter. Yours faithfully, MICHAEL G. JEFFRIES. Ty'n-y-Coed, Betws-y-Coed,

in the current year.

transfer tax. Thos prospects, for

rising real income and high after-

tax terminal value, naturally mean that the purchase price of farm land is many times the income from it

Your reminder that farmers do

actually work for consumers (April 12) has produced the normal crop

notorious that the present system of protection for agriculture is in-

efficient, All farmers are protected,

not just those who require it : pro-

less than the rest and it is inequitable. The consumer is typi-

cally worse off than most of the

farmers he is compelled to support.
At any given level of income or capital the non-farmer tends to pay

in tax more than the farmer. I trust

that you will continue to support

the need for fundamental changes in a system which infuriates both

those who are so heavily projected and those who pay for that

ducts in surplus are protected

agricultural indignation.

Farmers and consumers

PETER TENNANT.

Blue Anchor House, Linchmere Road, Haslemere,

Surey.

From Mr Alister Sutherland Sir, Mr Chaloner (April 28) asks how he is to use his highly valued, farm land. For more purchasing power now, he can sell his land, and lease it back. Or, if he feels that he cannot form it as successfully as the man who wishes to buy it from him, then he should sell with vacant some occupation other than farming. A mere 15 acres worth would buy him a good specimen of those houses that he mentions; and the rest of his capital could bring him a redemption yield of 14 per cent-

But my suspicion is that Mr. Chaloner, like other farmers, is not going to take either of these courses, precisely because he thinks that his long-term economic pros-pects are much better in farming as an owner-occupier. His land is worth so much-to himself; if he does not sell, just as much as to the potential buyer-because others share his informed view of the expected annual agricultural income in future years plus, therefore, the likely ter-minal capital value of the land and its favoured treatment for capital

ALISTER SUTHERLAND, Trinity College,

Unious and freedom

Comprehensive School

From the Headmaster of Townmead

Sir, Having recently been expelled by my union, the National Associa-tion of Schoolmasters/Union of

Women Teachers, for during to disagree with the idea that a Head-teacher's job could be done in a five-hour day, I cannot help but be

concerned at the direction in which some trade unions appear to be

heading. I say this as an active trade unionist of many years' standing. Trade unionism in its origin was

totally democratic—an attempt to mobilize the democratically ex-pressed opinion of the workers— but almost every day now one hears

of some unfortunate trade unionist

who is put on trial for daring to disagree with his "masters".

disagree with his "masters".
Why is there this dangerous more towards dictatorship? Surely, as

with a political party, one joins because one supports its basic

policy, not because one wishes m stop thinking for oneself. All the major political-parties allow free-

dom of expression and a consider-able divergence of opinion, as

anie orvergence of opinion, as demonstrated by the latest Conser-vative backbench revolt on the Employment Bill. We hear enough about the rights of trade unions;

what about the rights of individual

Yours faithfully.

Eghan Hill. .

Egham.

April 30.

G. LEON-SMITH, Kloburn House,

protection.

April 28.

Yours faithfully.

British Council cuts From Professor J. P. Stern

Sir, I have recently returned from

a lecture tour, sponsored by the Goethe Institute of Rederal Germany, of a number of universities in Norway, Finland and Denmark, and I have been appalled at the restrictions and neglect which the offices of the British Council in those commits have to endure as a result of the Government's adoption of the astonishing Berrill report. At the time when the Goethe Institutes are expending their activities and are expending their activities and generously supporting a whole variety of cultural and linguistic activities, and of course improving their country's trading contacts in the process, the British Council is being drained of funds for some of its most basic activities. Yet the level of interest in British culture and literature, the admiration and concern for this country's political and social institutions could hardly be higher: the sympathy acquired during the Second World War has not been dissipated.

All this cannot of course be instantly quantified. Yet other countries—such as France and Germany, who are shrewd enough when assessing the objects of their public expenditure—have no doubt that a generous cultural policy abroad pays in tangible economic terms. Surely it is not too late to ask the Government to reconsider its policy?
Yours faithfully,

J. P. STERN. Department of German, University College London, Gower Street, WC1.

Unwillingly from school From Dr Paul Marett

23) why school holidays are so long but I do know that he will have to go back a very long way to find out. In 1384 Katherine de Berkeley laid down the ordinances for a school which she had endowed at Wotton-under-Edge. The school holidays were laid down in per-petuity. They were to run from December 21 to January 7, with a fortnight at Easter, a week at Whitsun, and the long stromer break from August 1 to September

14. The charter is recorded in the

of Henry Wakefield.

Surrey. April 26. Bishop of Worcester 1375-1395. I have the honour to remain, Sir, Your obedient servant. PAUL MARETT. Department of Library and Information Studies,

Loughborough University.

From Mrs Betty Carter Sir, The answer to Bruce Parker's question (April 28), "Why are school holidays so long?" is: "Because childhood is so short!"
BETTY CARTER (former child), -80 Manchester Road. Cheshire.

A frosty view of vanishing fags

From Sir Ranulph Twisleton-Wykeham-Fiennes and Mr Oliver Shepard

Sir, With the utmost disgust we hear that fagging has been abolished at Ezon. As the two most southerly OEs in the world, overwintering in cardboard huts prior to an alternation the South Pole, we daily empty livatories, clean and cook. lavatories, clean and cook.

Having spent two to three verse of our formative years doing menial of our formative years toning mental tasks for others, this comes easily. Many who go to Eron need their self-esteem lowered and fagging was an excellent way of a hieving this. We have the honour to be, Sir, your obedient servants, ... RANULPH FIENNES, OLIVER SHEPARD, Ryvingen Camp. Antarctica.

Voice of the police

From the Chief Constable of Leicestershire Sire! am sorry that the Chairman of the Merseyside County Council objects to the fact that chief con-

objects to the fact that chief con-stables are speaking out much mure today than ever before (April 29).
Why should all the sandits have their say, and yet the Police Service remain silent? The price of being non-political is surely not that all comment is to be stilled. From time to time is it appropriate to speak out lest the police viewpoint is lost antid the clamour of public com-mentators. To "label this authori-tarianism and elitism is unwarranted extravigance. extravagance.
Yours faithfully,

A. GOODSON.
President of the Association of Chief Police Officers of England, Wales and Northern Iceland, 420 London Road. Leicester.

Candidates under scrutiny From Mr R. J. Forbes and Mr P. R.

Sir, We were pleased to read Peter Brock's Science Report article (April 23), as it is always heloful to have academic research findings made available to a wider audience.

However we would like to maint out that there were some serious inaccuracies in his summary of the original research article. The actual findings reported in the Journal of Occupational Psychology. suggested it was the candidates non-verbal behaviour which was critical to interview butcomerather than that of the interviewers. In fact in this research only the non-verbal behaviour of candidate. was examined and coded by the prochologist observing the inter-

views. Successful interview outcomes are associated with smiling, eye contact and head nodding by the candidate. Clearly non-verbal behaviour is an important factor affecting interview decisions. Apart from the areas you reported we also considered other aspects of non-terbal be-bayiour which were unrelated to the decision to accept or reject the candidate, namely leg, arm and body gosirion and body, hand, feet and leg movement.

Yours faithfullywege on -R. I. FORBES. P. R. JACKSON, Department of Business
Administration and Accountance,
University of Walos Institute of
Science and Technology, Friary Building.

Alive, alive-o From Mr John Gibson Sir, Though British Rail may dis-criminate against shellfish with impunity (letter, April 29), dawyers are inclined to adopt a more

are inclined to adopt a more imaginative attitude.

Under the Animals Act. 1971.

"livestock" is defined by reference to a catalogue of domesticated creatures, which at common law would be dubbed mansuetae naturae beasts, ferae naturae. Yet, in both the Court of Appeal and the Scottish Court of Session, mussels have solemnly been described as enimals. ferae naturae.

If British Rail, therefore, needs to protect itself age ust malignant moluses, perhaps it should follow legal precedent, and apply a more respectful in the livestnek. Yours faithfully, JOHN GIBSON.

centre for Marine Law and Policy. The University of Wales Institute of Science and Technology, King Edward VII Avenue. April 29.

Out for a duck

From Mr R. E. Davis Sir. Mr -Glifton-Taylor-- (April 17) acted hastily. If he had taken the egg indoors and kept it warm he might have ended upracial lunch for four instead of breakfast for one. ... e.s --

Yours etc. RONALD DAVIS. 1 Seaton Burn. ..., Boughmore Lane, Devon.

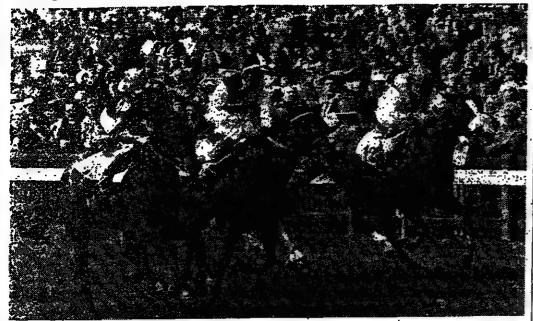
Horse sense

From Canon George Austin Sir, May I suggest that the Rev Ian Graham-Orlebar (April 26) calls his horse Praxis? Thus when the Bishop telephones he may be trid that the Rector "is developing Praxis in an on-going interface situation.". Such a use of current liberal ecclesiastical jargon will surely, by its very incomprehensibility con-vince the diocesan hierarchy that here indeed is one parochial clergyman attempting to meet with conremporary society in relevant and meaningful confrontation. Yours,

GEORGE AUSTIN, The Vickrage, 19 High Road, Bushey Heath. Warford Hertfordshire,

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Racing



Brian Rouse on Quick as Lightning (left) strikes in the dying seconds of 1,000 Guineas.

Classic first for sixth choice jockey

Brian Rouse rode the race of s life to win the 1,000 Guiness Quick as Lightning at Newmaroff Quick as Lighting at Newhol-ket yesterday. This victory gave the 40-year-old Jockey the first classic triumph of his career and John Dunlop his third. "Perhaps I'll be better than flith choice next rime," said Rouse afterwards. to ride Ogden Mills Phipps's home-bred fills. Willie Carson, Pat Eddery, Edward Hide, Yves St Martin and Freddie Head had all been offered the mount, but had lad to turn it down for various The Irish-trained Broile do Paris

The Irish-trained Bioile do Paris made the early running. Rouse dropped Quick as Lightning out at the back and sine was soo last of the 23 runners. At the Bushes hirs Penny went to the faont tracked by Our Home. By now, Rouse had Quick as Lightning well placed on the outside of this group, poised to challenge. Racing down the lilli. Greville Starkey drove Our Home into the lead. But in the dying seconds of the race Quick as Lightning's staming told, and she forced her head in front close home to win by a nock. Mrs Penny was half a length away in third place, followed by Millingdale Lillie, Rapids and Luck of the Draw. Apart from the winner, But in the dying seconds of the race Quick as Lightning's stamming told, and she forced her head in front close home to win by a neck.

Mrs Penny was half a length away in third place, followed by Millingdale Lillie, Rapids and Luck of the Draw. Apart from the winner, Rapids ran the best Oaks trial. Rapids ran the best Oaks trial. The helf-alster to Hawaiian Sound finished like a train to reach her final position. She was having only

Newmarket programme

2.30 ELY HANDICAP (3-y-o : £3,381 : 6f)

Mather Sarth, W. Hern. 7-5
Soid Image (D.), J. Vinter. 9-5
Kredive, P. Vallym, 19-4
Soaf (O.), B. Hills, 8-12
Lucy Limelight, J. Bethell. 8-11
Jone Cellins, R. Armatrons, 8-1
Jone Cellins, R. Armatrons, 8-1
Forriby Hell (D.), T. Fairiurst, 8-2
Lancastor Mows. B. Nanhury, 7-12

3.0 PLAYBOY PRETTY POLLY STAKES (3-y-o fillies: £6,035:

[Television (ITV): 2.30, 3.0 and 3.30 races]

2.0 WILBRAHAM MAIDEN STAKES (2-y-o fillies: £2,355: 5f)

the third race of her life and her first of 1980.

The only fancied runners to perform badly were Saison, the 4-1-favourite, Evita, and Firyal. Salson was well placed at the bushes, but was then outpaced. Firyal was never seen with a chance at any stage. Considering that Nurvey's galloping companion, Boirron, was beaten 45 lengths at Saint-Cloud yesterday, the invincibility of the red-hot favourite for the 2,000 Guideas must at least be open in question. Durilop, Michael Stoute and Ian Balding excelled in their training of the first three. Our Home ran a mighty race for a maiden and fully justified the Newmarket trainer's prediction that the full sister to Roussalka was the one that they all had to beat.

Balding's judgment was also proved correct. The Kingsclere trainer has said all along that yesterday's race would come too soon for last autumn's Cheveley Park Stakes winner, And her allightly winty appearance in the maddock beforeband confirmed his

alighds wintry appearance in the paddock beforeband confirmed his opinion. Mrs Penny is going to improve a great deal in the com-

Tote and Ward Hills. The American-bred filly is sure to stay every, yard of the distance. And in addition Quick as Lightning had to win her race the hard way, having to be switched round most of the field. "I went there cantering three furiongs out", said Rouse, "when I gave her a reminder she shot forward so quickly that I had to anatch her up again."

Luca Cumani showed as a

likely classic candidate in the Wood Ditton Stakes winner, Royal Fountain, who just got the better season's Wislam Hill Futurity winner, Hello Gorgeous, in the Heathorn Stakes. Bred by Edward Hide in Yorkshire, the Royalty colt may now go for the King Edward YII Stakes at Ascot or the Irish Sweeps Derby. "I shall have to think about our own Derby " said the trainer, "Royal Fountain might not be suited to the undulations of Epsom".

Harry Cecil at last had some compensation for the defeats of his Guineas 'runners and Hello Gorgeous when Pentaquod just managed to hold at bay the late attack of April Bouquet in the Hastings Maiden Stakes. And fimily, April Bouquet's trainer, Dick Hero, continued in winning vein when Balinger came home two lengths and "a half clear of Dikery in the March Handicap. season's William Hill Futurity

3.30 JOCKEY CLUB STAKES (Group 3: £13,474: 12m)

4.5 CHEVINGTON STAKES (2-y-o: £2,078: 5f) 441 Carry On Again 101, R. Armst ma. 9-4 2117 Miss Quaver (D), B. Hannon, 6-1 21 Harnessile (D), B. O'Lorman, 8-12 African Post, G. Poordon, 8-11 D. Scintillating Air, B. Hobbs, 8-11

·4.40 BURWELL HANDICAP (3-y-o: £3,350: 71)

0 BURWELE HANDICAP (3-y-o.: £3,350: 7f)

2213-0 Fride And Faith (CD), E. Sidin. 9-7

211- Highland Light (C), J. Hindley, 9-3

21-22-02 Asiardic City, R. Shesther, 9-3

110110- Blessed Bantsel (C), G. P.Gordon, B-15

110110- Applaby Park (D), P. Got, 8-13

22102-02 Gowhill, B. Hindbury, 8-12

22103- Dalkoku, M. Jarvis, 8-12

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21103- Laty Bewravisw (CB), P. Feliden, R-9

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101- Bantsel (B), G. P. Maith, 8-9

101- Sweet and Sour, J. Schleil, 8-5

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101- Roysis (B), G. P-Gordon, R-8

101- Courte Freenia, R. Arustrong, 8-1

101- Can-De Nore (D), N. Callaghan, 7-11

1- Allantic City, 9-2 m. Raythm, 8-1 Highland Light, 8-3

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5.0 NEWMARKET CHALLENGE WHIP (£300: 2m)

By Michael Phillips
2.0 Pushy. 2.30 Mother Earth. 3.0 Restful. 3.36 CRACAVAL is specially recommended. 4.05 Hornastle. 4.40 In Rhythm. 5.0 Olympios.

By Our Nawmarket Correspondent
2.0 Pushy. 2.30 Bold Image. 3.0 Good Lassie. 3.30 Billbroker. 4.5 Hornastle. 4.40 Can Do More. 5.0 Olympios.

Luca Cumani showed us a

Distance should be to liking of Cracaval

Racing Correspondent Racing Correspondent
The Jockey Club stakes is the principal race at Newmarket today and what a good race is promises to be. The field includes two decent five-year-olds in Valour and Wild Oats and four established four-year-olds Cracaval, More Light, Prince Rheingold and Torus-Wild Oats, was runner-op to Obrazzsovy in this race 12 months ago and the best that his connections can hope for again this time may well be second prize.

My hopes are pinned on Cracatime may well be second prine.

My hopes are pluned on Cracaval, who ran such a cracking race here just over a formight ago when he finished third in the Earl of Sefton Stakes, a neck and the same distance behind Ela-Mana-Mou and Baul Knight. That race was over only a mile and a furlong which is palpably short of Cracaval's best when one recalls how he won the Chester Vase, and the September Stakes at Kempton

the September Stakes at Kempton Park last season. Park last season.

At Kempton his principal victim was He de Boarbon. Originally Barry Hills intended keeping Cracaval fresh for the Brigadier Gerard Stakes at Sandown Park later this month but when he realized that Cracaval had taken his first race of the new season so well he decided on a change of plan. I saw Cracaval both in his box—and on the downs last Friday and he took the eye on each occasion. In his box he looked every inch a top class thoroughbred. On the downs he seemed full of the joys of spring Today I expect to see him disseemed full of the joys of spring
Today I expect to see him display the same nest now that he is
racing again over a distance that
is more in keeping with both his
record and his pedigree. Like
Cracaval, Prince Rheingold and
Torus have both run promising
races this spring; Prince Rheingold in the Westbury Stakes at
Sandown only last Saturday;
Torus in the John Porter Stakes

at Newbury a week earlier. However More Light could easily turn out to be the main danger.

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More Light beat Cracaval on the only occasion that they have ever crossed swords and by a handsome margin. But that was two seasons ago when they were aged only two. Last season More Light's principal claim to fame was a victory gained dourly in the Gordon Smkes at Goodwood when he beat his talented stable companion, Nininski, who went on to achieve much greater things later in the season. In contrast More Light's season tapered off.

Clearly he is a good horse on his day but this time I prefer Cracaval, who has the beating of Billbroker judged on how they ran at Kempton last September. Falke Johnson Houghton runs Valour in addition to Torus but without the benefit of a previous race this season he faces an uptill surgale because he is still penalized for having won a group one race two seasons ago. Whatever his luck on More Light Willie Carson should still enjoy a profitable day. Mother Earth (2.30), Restful (3.0) and In Rhythm (4.40) all have the look of possible winners for the former champion jockey.

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Mother Earth, my selection for the Ely Handicap, has already finished second in the seven furlong Nell Gwyn Stakes. On that occasion she was in the lead a furlong from the finish but weakened up the hill. If Mother Earth failed to stay that day, and a look at her pedigree—she is by the springer Jukebox and out of a mare by Silly Season—suggests that that may well have been the case, she should be suited by the slightly shorter distance now.



American Prince all the way

quickly out of the stalls and were never headed thereafter. Hilal came to challenge at the furlong post but American Prince found that bit extra following a couple of light reminders from his

American Prioce will next race in the Queen Anne Stakes at Royal Ascot on June 17. The Sussex Stakes at Goodwood followed by the Prix Jacques le Marois at Deauville ou Angust 17 are also in the programme of the son of Prince Tenderfoot. Nureyev's galloping companion Boitron raced like a tired horse.

Newmarket results

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Right of Light, 13-2 Al-Amal. 12-1
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Star. 23-1 The Sandord, Effect, Gry
No More. 14 ran.

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10-1 Firyal, 14-1 Sciquota, 30-1 Star
Livita, B-1 Willingdale Lilie: -41h;
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Irish 2.000 Guineas A dozen of the likely runners in Sahurday's 2,000 Guineas are still standing for the Irish 2,000 Guineas a formight later. The first prize for the Irish classic will be more than £87,000 in the Republic's currency.

Hit-and-run Conners never out of trouble

From Rex Bellamy Tennis Correspondent : Dallas, May 1

Tennis

The third day of the World Championship Tennis play-off series attracted about 12,000 specseries attracted about 12,000 spec-tators to the splendid new Rennion Arena—the kind of Wembley (but more than twice the size) that you would expect Texans to build in 1980. The pub-lic had plenty of excitement while Jimmy Connors was beating Bill Scanlon, who was born in Dalias and still lives here—by 7—6, 7—5, 5—4, in two hours and a half. Beneath the colour and drama and still lives here—by 7—6, 7—6, 6—4, in two hours and a half.

Beneath the colour and drama of the spectacle lurked an almost tangible sense of tennis history bustling along with bewildering haste. Among the cotton fields and blue bonness out at Gariand, a Dallas suburb that has become the base of men's professional tennis, are the headquarters of both the Association of Tennis Professionals and the Volvo grand prix. In the ATP offices is the famous computer, unexpectedly modest in size and appearance, that tells the best players in the world exactly where they stand. The sense of time hurrying by was enhanced yesterday by chance meetings with Ramanathan Krishnan and the former Mary Ann Kisel, who have not changed much, outwardly at any rate, since, each in turn graced the international circuit. Not has Arthur Asbe, who formally retired five weeks ago but reckons he has never been husier. String behind Ashe was the hero of an earlier yesterday, Jack Kramer.

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All this gave a historic context to the fact that on court compet-ing in the WCT event on its tenth

ing in the WCT event on its renth anniversary, was a man who later confessed that he was beginning to feel every bit of 27 years old. Jicumy Connors told us his legs and his left arm were becoming a little battle weary and that these days it took him a little longer to get out of bed and prepare his body for the working day. At least his mind was more settled than it had been a year ago, when his wife was pregnant. The toughest problem he said, was clearing his mind of tends when he was with his family and clearing it

with his family and clearing it of family matters when he was playing tennis.

Conners were out a pair of shoes playing Scanlon. "We both ran down an awful lot of balls."

They did indeed. The match began modestic with their They did indeed. The match began modestly, with both men making more errors than we expect at this level, but midway through the first set they engaged first gear and the rest of the match was a thrilling demonstration of hitting and running. Commors served better, usually had a slight edge, but could never take charge decisively. Scanlon suffered from the fact that he could not put enough first services into court. This meant that he spent less time chough first services into court. This meant that he spent less time at the wet than he wanted to and that in both de-breaks Connors had chances to attack and squeeze errors out of Scanlon's backhand. At the beginning of the second set Connors won 10 of the first 11 points, but lost 12 of the next 15. Most of the time the contest was more evenly belanced. The last three games were all service breaks. Connors was never out of

last three games were all service breaks. Conoors was never out of trouble until the players shook hands. Both snea were inspired by the noisily appreciative crowd and this was a fine match.

Scanlon, the local hero, was continually encouraged by yells of "Go, Bill!" But Conoors did not mind that ("Everybody's got to come from somewhere "1. In the past 12 months Scanlon has worked hard and his game has matured. Though it eventually let him down his forehand was particularly impressive in its sound him down his forehand was par-ticularly impressive in its sound yet flexible variety of length, pace and spin. On both flanks he moved the ball about the court with consistent good sense. Some-times he created openings but wasted them, like a jata musician fluffing the last few notes of an inventive solo. He lacks a genuinely "big" shot. But he has come a long way

Last two Britons may meet in final

Snooker

Stevens has the answer to everything Higgins does By Sydney Friskin

By Sydney Friskin

At the end of the first period of seven frames, kirk Stevens, from Canada, led Alex Higgins, of Northern Ireland, by five frames to two in the semi-final round of the world snooker championship sponsored by Embassy at Sheffield yesterday. Twenty four frames have to be played and the result will probably not be known until tomorrow morning.

Higgins has probably realized

Iomorrow morning.

Higgins has probably realized that if he ayyows this young man to get too far ahead of him he could be in trouble. Like Higgins, Stevens wastes little time in speculation. He combines extreme accuracy with delicacy of touch and positions himself beautifully fur the next shot. There are signs that this too could be a facinating match between an unseeded player and the only former champion left in the fournament. Five others have been knocked out.

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The first four frames were completed yesterday in 55 minutes and the score stood at 2—2. On the way to winning the first frame Stevens cleared the table with a break of 32. He finished the second with 46 but by that time Higgins was in an unassailable position.

A sparkling brown of 70 by

position.

A sparkling breaw of 70 by Higgins in the third frame was achieved before Stevens had stored a point and although the reds and all the colours were left

Stranger from Essex two strokes ahead

From Peter Ryde
Valencia, May 1
Bursts of appliance coming from deep in the orange grove at the Scorpion Club here today made me wonder whether I would have to revise my opinion that reaction would catch up on Severiano Ballesteros before the end of the Spanish Open championship, sponsored by Benson and Hedges. Starting the 10th he had reached the turn in 32 but watching him finish my old doubts returned.

The last three boles coutain two long ones and he falled at both of them to score the birdies to which he has become accustomed, and in herween he dropped a stroke at the short eight. For the first times he mentioned feeling

which he has become accustomed, and in herween he dropped a stroke at the short eight. For the first time he mentioned feeling tired today.—" four weeks without stopping, that is hard."

At least he is not in the lead for once. A stranger from Essex, Clive Tucker, scored 66 and is two strokes ahead of him. Tucker nursed professional four yesrs ago but has not been continuously on the tour scene because he has had to earn his card three times. He came close to giving up the tour but found a sponsor who has kept him going.

He falled in Rome but played through the Madrid Open, although he sinished 31 strokes behind the winner who now trails him by two. Last year he played in only nine of the regular tournaments. Today he did not think he was driving well and it was his fron play that largely raised him to his exalted position. He started an inward half by chipping in for a birdle and at the last hole struck a two-iron close.

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cleared and given the kind of sun-shine for which the Leventine coast is famous. Perhaps 500 fol-lowed him loosely between the groves. He know that they have to learn the niceties of watching, but it is all an added strain.

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An attempted pitch over a bunker at the 18th which needed the finest judgment ended up in the bunker in front of his nose. He had started quietly but came to life with a long putt holed at his fifth and a chip-he two holes later. At the minth (486yd) he needed only a five-iron second and struck it on line to 2ft.

Jacklin's score came as a surprise for he had turned in 38 and his short game at the time had plunged him into gloom. There is full growth on the greens, indeed everywhere, and he seeed unable to get the ball at all close. Perhaps I misread his mood and he was merely sumoning his resolution for as soon as I left his he had birdies at two of the last three holes after the turn. He also had birdies at two of the last three without dropping a stroke coming in.

The wind freshened after lunch

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Ballesteros continues to be shadowed as he was last week by Manuel Pinero who finished on the same score of 68, and within close range come Jacklin, Faldo, James and Norman of Australia.

Ballesteros still bears the burden of the home crowd. Today's number did not compare with Madrid although the weather had at last

thereafter makined par all the way home.

Miss Burton had an adventurous round which played ducks and drakes with the regulation scores. For her the 14th was the final battleground. A nine iron to six feet gave her yet another birdie and the course was unable to counter-attack.

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Real tennis

in fourth set

In fourth set

as Walsh tires

By Roy McKelvie
Only two of the fire winners in the awateur real tennis singles championship which began at Queen's Club yesterday dropped sets. The sternest and most interesting barde was between Michael Dean and Jonathan Walsh. Dean won by 5—4, 6—2, 3—6, 6—3 after losing his way in the third act and recovering in the fourth only when Walsh tired.

Howard Angus, the world champion, is defending the title he first won in 1966 and has held every year since. His principal rival is Alan Lovell.

For the first two sets against Walsh, Dean played with considerable assiduity and thoughtfulness. He kept the ball on the floor, rarely overhit, and moved Walsh from corner to corner. Only when presented with a shoulder-high wolley or the chance or necessity of a dedans did Dean use the force of which he is capable.

Miss Thomson builds lead on first nine holes where a stray ball of the same make lay where she expected to find her own in the rough. This is a hole, measuring 285 yards, where the players are looking for birdies because there is a steap drop to the green. Miss Pamer walked to it two over par. Five determined holes later she had retrieved her position with single putts from close range on the third and sixth. She is not the British matchplay champion for nothing. She went one under for the first time at the 10th and thereafter matched par all the way home.

By John Hennessy
The new British women's professional golf season began with
a resounding bang yesterday.
Muriel Thomson, of Scotland, led
the way in the Carlsberg tournament at Tyrrells Wood with a 69,
followed by three others, Jane
Panter (Lancashire), Maxine Burton (Surrey) and Karstin Ehrnlund Panter (Langasmre), Maxine Burton (Surrey) and Karstin Ehrstund (Sweden), on 71. The course measures 5,317 yards from the women's tees, with a par of 72.

Breaking 70 is not unknown in women's professional golf but it is rare enough to galvanize tournament officials at the seart of the search. hadelit officials at the start of the season. Moreover, there were morally two rounds of 69, because Miss Panter suffered a two strokes penalty at the first for playing the wrong bail. It may be of significance that all four women at the top of the light we spent

some time recently in the United some dime recently in the United States. Miss Ehrnlund established her Miss Thomson, a lively character with a penchant for wearing a gorilla mask when driving a cur, built her lead on the opening half, which yielded her three strokes, two of them on the saventh (442 yards, par five), where she played three superb strokes, a drive, a siron and a putt from 15 ft. To the eagle she added three yards, par five, where she played three superb strokes, a drive, a six iron and a putt from 15 ft. To the eagle she added three birdles and dropped shots at two other holes.

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Equestrianism

Hunting Farmers | Dean recovers triumph at Hickstead

By Pamela Macgregor-Morris
The Everest cross country event
was won at Hickstead yesterday
by the Hunding Farmers. They
comprised four men and one formidable lady, Elaine Straker,
owner-breeder of George, the
horse on which Lucinda PriotPalmer won Badminton and ber
second European title at Burghley
fin 1978. The winning time for
the mile and a half course was
3min 53.4sec.
Second place went to the Eventers, represented by Lady Oaksey
and four men. Their time of 3min
59.5sec was followed by the Melton
Hunt Club (4min 07.2sec), a team
captained by David Connors, son
of that famous Leicestershire
hunting doctor, Tom Connors,
Rachel Fowler, the only lady in
the team, was taken to bospital
Due to a slip up in communications my final paragraph in yesterday's paper stated that the Racecourse Betting Levy Board could
not afford to give \$50.000 to the
Hunters' Improvement Society.
What Sir Harry Llevellyn said was
that they could not give more
than their usual \$50.000 because John Feaver and Jonathan Smith, two British players competing for places in the Davis Cupterm this year, kept a keen eye on each other's form in the Pernod Trophy hard court tournament at Stourbridge yesterday.

Feaver, the British number five from Wimborne, and Smith, the number eight from Exeter, are the only home representatives in either the men's or women's singles to have withstood a determined challenge from overseas players.

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Basketball

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION: Notice division play-off Los Angeles Labers 111. Seattle Supersonics 105 (Labers win series 1-1)

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Taunton selections

By Our Racing Stoff 6.00 Manrico. 6.30 Bold Front. 7.90 Tit. Vineger Men. 7.30 Laurus. 8.00 Hudson's Bay. 8.30 Swallow Hill.

8.30 ARTHUR COUNCILL HURDLE (Handicap: 11,357: 2m 3f)

Carlisle programme

Newmarket selections



Carlisle selections 2.15 Dissipated Dollar. 2.45 Zanveatic. 3.15 Pouncetes. 3.45 Antkoneri. 4.15 Hornets Nest. 4.45 York Cottage.

By Our Neumarket Correspondent
2.15 Dissipated Dollar, 3.15 Konohanasakuya, 3.45 Crews Hill, 4.15
Hornet's Nest.



The final moment of joy: Talbot wheels away in delight after scoring Arsenal's goal.

Arsenal make it third final in a row

Football Correspondent Arsenal 1

Liverpool 9 The holders, Arsenal, will be at The holders, Arsenal, will be at Wembley on the appointed day, Saturday, May 10; to defend their truthy against West Ham United. It will be their third successive appearance, and it took three semilical round replays to extinguish Liverpool with an eleventh-minute goal by Talbot.

So Liverpool's hopes of achieving the double ended after four streamous and, in the later confrontations, intensely exciting attempts to wear down this soild, traditionally stated. attempts to wear down this solid, traditionally disciplined Arsenal team. At Highfield Road, Coventry last night, they had so many opportunities to recover from the misake by Kennedy, who offered Talbot his goal, that in their hearts they must have known that they fid not descree the saving equaliser that had come in the second replay earlier to the week.

Tob Paisley's rather exaggerated claim that he was running out of players modestly manifested itself in the second sentor appearance

the second senior appearance Cohen at left back in place of Alan Kennedy, Arsenal were un-scathed if a little weary in their early approach. Liverpool, mis-leadingly as it transpired, were perceptibly the sharper but it did them as used

em no good. This time there was a marginally This time there was a marginally more orthodox opening, unlike Monday's 16 seconds goal from Arsenal. Here is took them 11 minutes to break Liverpool's tight, controlled position in midfield. Their opportunity came as a direct result of Ray Kennedy's properly intended but badly miscued attempt to play the ball out of the side of the penalty area. The pass or clearance, went loose to the side of the penaity area. The pass or clearance, went loose to Stapleton whose centre surprisingly caught the Liverpool defanders clustered together. Taihot was left to head in.

So again Liverpool were faced colleagues, went forward to help

with a long straight to retain their interest in the ultimate target of the double. Their midfield football remained crisp with Souness and McDermott and Johnson playing a number of glorious moves that deserved better finishing. That was

deserved better finishing. That was, a familiar theme in this/sequence of matches and one that looked in danger of remaining an unwanted part of Liverpool's game...

McDermott and Kennedy should have rid them of this affliction in the first half an hour atone. Kennedy had two fairly early shots, one admittedly from an awaward high ball. The first rolled beyond the far post and the second Jenning county. McDermott had a the far post and the second Jen-nings caught. McDermort had a much more inviting close, direct voltey which Jennings also grasped. voltey which Jennings also grasped.

An obstinate preoccupation with floating high centres into the Arsenal penalty area, where Young and O'Leary's height was usually unbeatable, destroyed much of Liverpool's work and chier whole performance suffered. Talbor constantly nagged at their confidence with his head abd often ragged tackling, indeed, he had his bame taken, is did Souness for taking retribution.

In the last seconds of the first half Kennedy again wrong his hands in frustration as he saw a point blank shot slittler away wide of goal after. Jonnings had deflected the balf directy to him, Kennedy desperately wanted to

Kennedy desperately stanted to make up for his earlier gift, to Arsenal. Once more Arsensi's application

Daiglish through the edges of the penalty area with a splendid return pass. Daiglish shot wide, and did so magain when breaking through the Arsenal defence to take advantage when an apparent foul on Young was ignored by the referce. By then, the name was sinusted almost exclusively in Arsenal's haif, and one supposed that they accepted the risks involved.

volved.

Typical of Liverpool's misfortunes was a fine attack begun when Hausen brightly outflought Arsenal's offside trap with a lob that Neal ran on to and slipped to Daiglish, whose shot went between the legs of O'Leary, but struck Jennings.

attuck Jemings.

As the tie moved towards the time at which Liverpol equalised in the second replay, Arseual had to be eevn more tenacious. This time the last thrust and the last time the last thrust and the last error did not occur. Arseual, and particularly their central defenders, weer always misgoificent, but really Liverpool did not compose themselves, sufficiently well to reach Wembley. As for Arsemi's winning goal 'scorer Talbot, he now has the opportunity to win his third successive Cup winner's menal.

Arsenal: P. Jenniags: P. Rica.

J. Devine, S. Talbot, D. O'Leary, W.

MICHAL: P Jenning: P. Rice,
J. Devine, B. Taibol, D. O'Lears, W.
Joung, L. Brady, A. Sunderland, F.
Sandeling, D. Price, G. Ric., P.
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A. Cohen, P. Thompson, R. Konnedy,
A. Hansen, K. Didligh, S. Lee, D.
Johnson, 1946; D. Fairfough!, T.
Jefonnott, G. Sonners,
Reference: P. Parridge (Cockfield, Co.
Durham).

Once more Arsenal's application, especially in defence, was essential to their shifty to make sure that Liverpool's frustration in creased as the minutes object away. The feeling grew that whatever chances were offered them would come to nothing. Sounces and Daluilsh enlarged upon the theory.

Cohen, who was playing composedly and much more effectively that some of his longer-established colleagues, went forward to help for £40,000.

Bonds is cleared to play at Wembley

Kelly decision. deferred i

Presson North Eend's assistant manager, Alan Kelly, has had to defer until the weekend a decision on whether to take charge of the Republic of Ireland team, He is still wating for the go-ahead from his club, some of whose board members are unavailable. He will, however, manage the Republice for however, manage the Republice for their two friendly internationals, against Argentina on May 16 and Uzochoslovakia on May 21.

Kelly made his bow as an international manager on Wednesday fight, when the Republic beat Swierirland 22-0. If he does accept the position he will be manager until the end of the World Cup in 1982.

Sunderland who need two points from two games to be certain of a

that he is the captain is very im-portant, too. We pointed, out to Last night's results : 100

FA Cup sent-final round, mire replay 141, Loventry Arcanal (%) † Liverpaal (0), (6) Scottish premier division NORTHERN PREMIER LEAGUE: SOUTHERN LEAGUE: Steam division Allton Keiner Chauces Mail Southern division Research League 2. Darrison O' Hattings 1, Hounsley 1. ISTHMIAN LEAGUE Would Bremer Bremer Would Would Second Mark lear Corntlian Casuala Liputng 1984 ATHEMIAN LEAGUE: Ruislip Manor

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Today's football

THIRD DIVISION: Columnier United United United Libral. FOURTH SIVISION: Roundle V Inclure to the first division, are Ramore Process, Slow, part County & Ramore Process, Part County & Ramore Process, Slow, part County & Ramore Process, Part County & Ramore Proces Francis Provided Total

Billy Bonds will lead West Ham United in the FA Cup final at Nome to Notts County tomorrow, when City may need one over the last two years has been over the last two years has been division. Todd will be available for the Notts County game; his stage of the seath totalled 20 disciplinary points. Bonds and the Birmingham City defender, Colin Todd, were sent off for fighting in a league match last week. Todd and another firmingham defender. Mark Dennis, were each given a one-match suspension after totalling to points. Dennis will miss Birmingham's final match of the season.

It is manager, John Lyall, said:

Billy Bonds will lead West Ham team, and the fact the commission that his record over the last two years has been good."

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Sluggish display

by Argentina

Buenos Aires, May 1.—Argenilina produced one of their most
islugaish performances in recent
years to their an inexperienced
Republic of Ireland side 1—0 yes-Republic of Ireland side 1—0 yesterds:

The match, a reheared for this month's European tour by Argentina, was brought to life only by the frequent individual brilliance of Marudona, whose twelfth minute goal spared the world clampions in embarrassing draw. The rest of the Argentina side were mediocre, despite the presence of four of the 1973 World Cup ream and, with Maradona; five of the players who won the world junior championship last year.

The Irishmen were outclassed but fought dengedly to thwart the clusive Argentina forwards in the second half. Another Irish team played Switzerland in Dublin tonight and several of their leading

night and several of their leading planes were ded down by Eng-ish league commitments.

Cricket

against Underwood

CANTERBURY: Kent, with all their second innings wickets in hand, are:six runs behind Northmptonshire.
After a night of heavy showers After a night of heavy, showers it would have been an easy matter yesterday for Northamptonshire to be bowled out cheaply by Kent. Instead, they batted very well, replying to Kent's 255 for six declared with a declaration of their own at 25 for six, and as on Wednesday, two English battemen with an eye on the Test side made good runs. men with an eye on the Test side made good runs.

The chances seemed to be that Underwood would have a field day. But Northampronshire were past 50 by the time he came on, and his figures instead were none. for 54 in 17 overs. For Northamptonshire's first wicket Cook and Larkins made 106 together. It may be that the awkward con-

and Larsins made too together. It didous made them try the harder; certainly they struck just the right halance, defending watchfully yet missing few chances to attack. missing few chances to attack.

Later, Lamb came and played aggressively and with great strength. A thickset South African, he made a name for himself in the championship last year by averaging 67 and scoring nearly 1,800 runs, without compromising his nannal way of playing. He got after Underwood yesterday as I thought only Greg Chappell, as he was playing towards the end of the winter, could, going down the pitch to him, and in the same over, hitting him full pitch and first bounce into the partition. Northamptonshire have acquired themselves an attractive and gifted

themselves an attractive and gifted player here—to South Africa's benefit as well as their own.

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Lamb was 88 not out when Cook declared. At the start of the day Tavaré had been 126 nor out when Ealham did the same. Not many years ago anyone with an aggregate of 325 runs by May 2, as Tavaré now has, would have been seen as a candidam to join the select company of those who have scored 1,000 runs before the end of May. With the programme as it is now, though, Tavaré can have ar the most only eight more first class inmings before May is out, there being no three-day championship matches between May 10 and May 24.

Tavare continued yesterday morning where he had left off on Wednesday. He looks to possess most of the strokes when he chooses to use them, which be

Notts v Middlesex AT NOTTINGHAM
COMMANNING: From India
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dd, b Daniel
addil C Berlow, b Daniel
H. Rice. C Berlow, b

maiciffe, b van der Bijl J-b-w, b Selvev Curson, c Gould, b van Cooper b van der Bijl Sare, sot our Extras i TOTAL OF WIGNETS: 1-30, 2-33, 3-30, 4-35, 3-30, 10-38, 7-142, 3-30, 4-35, 3-30, 10-38, 7-142, 3-38, 4-1, 3-38,

MIDDLESEX: First lanings M. Brearley, c Curson, i Smith, c Curron, b Rice Radley, c Curron, b Couper Barlow, l-b-w, b Hadice Cauting, c Curron, b Googer Oguid, not out d, not out wonds, b Cooper (b 5, l-b 8, s-b 1) . .

Total (6 wals, 46 overs) 108 J. E. Emburey, V. van der Bill, W. W. Selvey and W. W. Daniel to FALL OF WICKETS: 1-35, 9-51. Unapires: D. O. Oslear and H. D. Lancashire v Derby

AT MANCKESTER DERBYSHIRE: First lanings. 248 for 7 (C. Miller 7H and cel., X. J. Barnett 37, Lee 4 for 70: Total (1 wkt)

LANCASHIEF: First Drongs
A. Kennedy, not out
G. 5. Fram. C. T., and offer
H. Fliting, c. Taylor, b. Wincor
L. Layd, c. Barnett, b. Steple
J. Simpsens, not; out
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J. Extras (1-b. 4, n-b. 11) Total 43 whts: 100 overs: 225
F Cockhain, R. M. Raichiffe, C. J.
Scott, M. F. Malone and P. G. Lee
did not bet.
FALL OF WICKETS: 1—35, 3—79,
3—10, 4—372. J-21e, 4-272.

BOWLING: Oldham, 23-8-63-1;
Tunniciffe, 18-1-75-0; Miller, 24-1: 500-1; Stoole, 18-2-68-1;
Wincor, 20-5-68-1.

Bonus points: Lancashire 7, Darby-shire 7.

Umpires: R, Julian and R. Assmall.

Today's cricket 11.0 to 5.50 or 6.0. EM 1835 1: Glamorgan v Lasen SAN LERBLEY: Kens v Northamptor MANCHESTER: Lancashire v Derb. LICESTER: Leicestershire v Yorkahli WOTTINGHAM: Notlingbamshire

did after he had passed his hundred.

What a different game it has become when, on a drying pitch, two hours are allowed to pass before anyone is allowed to pass before anyone is allowed to how an over of spin. Even Underwood had to walt for an hour for his chance when Northamponshire went in. In days gone by the first over of the day would have been of off breaks or slow left-arm spin to a cluster of close fielders. Now we had 50 minutes of Sarfraz and Griffiths before Eatham declared, and an hour of Dilley. Shepherd and Jarvis before Underwood came on. Of the faster bowlers in the match Dilley has been the sharpest.

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Of Northamptronshire's main batsmen, other than the three who made runs, Williams was run out by a brilliant piece of fielding by Dilley at mid-on and Willey was one of Jarvis's four victims in a long and well-sustained spell before and after the Lamb, however, marched gaily on, lucky now and again but fast advancing upon his first hundred of the season knowledge. KENT: First lenings Woolmer, c Sharp, b 1. M. 50

R. A. Wodimer, C. Sharp, h. I. M.
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C. J. Tavare, por our
Anii Johal, C. Sarrraz, h. T. M.
A. G. E. Esiham, c. and h. Willey
A. G. E. Knott, h-b.w. b. Geriffiths
C. W. Johnson, C. Sharp, h.
Sarriaz
J. N. Shepherd, not out
Extra t-b 2, n-b 9;
Latter (6 billets)

RTHAMPTONSKIRE: First Inning

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spherd, 17 4 50 0; Javus, 19 5 50 0,
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Surrey v Hampshire

AT THE UVAL SURREY: Floot innings Juncher, c Cowiey, b 'invier Climon, 1-b-w, b Stovenson, Howarth, c Stephenson, b PR. D. V. Knight, c Southern, b Total (5 Wkbs, 100 overs) 510 Richards, P. Potock, R. G. L. and P. R. L'E. Wilson did not Bat April OF WICKETS: 1-44, 2-16, 200 April OF WICKETS: 1-44, 2-16, 2-16, 200 April OF WICKETS: 1-44, 2-16, 2-16, 200 April OF WICKETS: 1-44, 2-16, 2-

2. Umpires: W. E. Alley and C. T. Spencer. Oxford U v Warwick AT OXFORD WARWICKSHIRE: First Innings, 175 (K. D. Smith 84; Sutcitife 6 for 19). rk. D. Smith 82; Sutclife 8 for 19
Second Innings
D. L. Amias. c and b Mallett
K. D. Botth, 1-bw, b Mallett
J. A. Claughton, 1-b-w, b Mallett
T. A. Lidyd, c Rawtheon, b Mallett
P. R. Oliver, not out
1, G. W. Humpage, and out
Extras (1-b 2, 2-b, 1)

B. G. B. Rouse, D. G. Hookins, R. G. D. Willis, D. R. Doski and T. Pertyman is bet. FALL OF WICKETS: 1—24, 2—44, 65, 4—65.

OXFORD UNIVERSITY: First innings
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I. P. Durack, i-b-w, b Willis ... 9
I. A. B. El-bowitz, b Parryman ... 9
I. Carvillaton, ign b Rouse ... 1
Jandens, bw. bryman ... 9
J. Carvillaton, ign by Donin ... 9
VM. C. Macphorsen, i-b-w, b N. H. Mattett, c Hanipage, b

pires: J van Geloven and P. B.

end of Ian **Chappell's** Test career By John Woodcock

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The cemenary Test match at Lord's on August 28 will be played against an Australian side without Ian Chappell in it. He is not among the Australian party of 14 players, announced in Sydney yesterday, who will come to England in early August under Greg Chappell's captaincy, for a five weeks tour.

It may be taken, I think that this marks the end of Ian Chappell's Test Career. McCosker is also missing. The Australian selectors have gone instead for younger batsmen, wood and Dyson having both been brought in after missing all last winter's Test matches. There yere times then when they were both out of their state sides.

were both out of their state sides.

Thomson has been recalled after losing form and favour in the winter. He was wise, no doubt, to stay at home, working on his fitness, rather than go to Pakistan in February and March. With the exception of Bright, Thomson, who will be 30 by the time of the centenary Test, is the youngest bowler in the team.

Liftee is rising 31, Dymock and Mallett are both 35, and Pascoe is a few months older than Thomson. In g year or two's time. Son. In a year or two's time.
Australia, to England's likely advantage, will be looking for a'
new attack.

advantage, will be looking for a new attack.

Of the Australian side that played in the centenary match at Melbourne in 1977, Greg Chappell, Linlee and Marsh are the only survivors. The casualities are Cosice; Davis, Gibmour, Hookes, McCosker, O'Keeffe, Walker and Walters. The eclipse of Hookes, bould be temporary. He is one of those whose game was damaged during his time with World Series Cricket, though not, I'am sure, irreparably.

The Australians will start their programme against Hampshire at Southampton on August 6 and play, as well as the Test match three or four county games and two one-day Prudential Trophy matches against England—at the Oval on August 22.

TEAM: A Border, R. Brishl. C. Chappell, G. Dymora, R. Brishl. C.

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Somerset v Sussex

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FALL OF WICKETS: 1-1, 2-21, 3-31, 3-35, 5-70, 6-152, 7-218, 5-218, Bonus points: Lara &, Glamorgan 6,

Umpires: D. J. Constant and D. L.

Lamb more like a lion This may be Gloucester's surge is checked by Gifford

WORCESTER: Worcestershire. with eight first imangs wickets in hand we 214 runs behind Gloucestershire.

tershire.

There was no play in the first scheduled hour, because of heavy rain oversight. Gloucestershire, 51 for no wicket, when it started, had made 127 for one at lunch, Sadig out. In the afternoon, there was a little sunshing and the pitch, cloude degree areas a houlers. was a little straining alternal patents alonity drying, gave the bowiers some encouragement. The most juttresting junings was knoad's. After his century hefore lunch in the Farks last week, I thought he might have become over-ambitious for the more severe conditions of the champfonship. But he batted very sensibly, hitting the loose balls hard, and keeping a wanthful eye on the better ones, of which there were plenty, particularly in the afternoon, especially from Gifford.

Broad is a fast-footed batsman, which is not the same, in cricket jargon, as being a quick-footed one. He is not exactly mimble. His forearms move more swiftly and powerfully than his ankies. But it is immings showed that he has perseverance as well as dash, and must have at least assured him of a good run in the Gloucestershire side.

The brothers Graveney were present—a majestic, pair they made as they climbed the parillon alowly drying, gave the bowlers

The brothers Graveney were present—a majestic pair they made as they climbed the pavilion steps—and they gave Broad-cautious approval. They would never let on but they must have been even more pleased by the batting, a little later, of the boy David (Ken's son, Tom's nephew). Gloucestershire had lost wickets and momentum during the afternoon, and as one point were 163 noon, and as one point were 163 for six. A man who had checked them was Gifford, who bowled long and accurately. He seems to me to have years of cricket in him yet, and to go on, if it pleases him, for as long as Wilfred Rhodes. Gifford was helped by

not look good, but he was impressive, once he had settled into his

The new man from Barbados, Alleyne, was erratic, but there is no doubt he has the making of a fast bowler. The seventh-wicker partnership between Graveney and Partridge, took Gloucester to 259, Graveney hitting a six off the last ball, before Procter declared.

Procter left Worcestershire with an hour to bat, and they soon lost Ormerod, caught at the wicker, Jones was out to the last ball of the day, when Graveney came of to give an extra treat to his family. Turner, however, was going steadily and well.

Although the, weather looks more sertled, the chances of anybody winning this match will depend upon some bold, not to say reckless captaincy. So far, Gloucester, shire lead by three points to two.

GLOUCESTERSHIES: Cran language. stride.
The new man from Barbados

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GLOUCESTERSHIRE: Timi innings

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M. Brocker, and b thefore

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M. Turner, not out
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Total (2 wals, 1] overs in young shaped E. J. O. Heately D. N. Pare H. Alexandre I. Hamphree I. D. Heately S. Chiore M. Alexandre, N. Chiore and J. Comber, to bit KETS: 1—0, 2—39 Bonus points: Uloucoterphire A. Worcestershire 2. Ulouptres: A. Josson and B. J. Meyer.

Little encouragement for the Yorkshire bowlers

By Peter Marson LEICESTER: Yorkshire, with nine first invinge wickets in hand, are 164 runs bellind Leicestershire. Leicestershire declared at tea Leicestersure declared at tea, sesterday with 257 for seven wickets on the board, their first three bonus points in the bag. In two hours and 10 minutes batting before the close Yorkshire made 93 runs from 45 overs for the loss of Boycott.

Boycott. · of Boycott.

Having won the toss, Yorkshire asked Leicestershire to bat. Hampshire may have pondered this decision, for the pitch was

this decision, for the pitch was slow and offered little encouragement to the fast bowling of Old, Steverson and Sidebottom, though Briers was confounded by a ball which kept low in the Ifth over, and fell leg-before to Old, Thareafter the batsmen (and a chill wind) kept a heavily sweatered fielding side on the move.

Stoele was watchful, battod correctly, and accumulated runs steadily. Balderstone, eager for runs from the start, became an admirable foil. As Hampshire shuffled his pack of fast medium bowlers and introduced Carrick's left arm bowling, the batsmen happly pushed on, but, with their stand worth 65 in 21 overs, Steele, clearly misjudged the length of a ball from Carrick, who held a simple catch.

Enter Gower and, from a Euter Gower and, from a different gate, the chairman of the England selectors, Alec Bedser. At luncheon, when Leicestershire had made 112 for

two from 39 overs, another union had been cemented, with Balder-stone 37 and Gower 14. Balderstone, who was missed at second

The slow left arm bowler joined the Oval staff from Sussex this season and he got a slightly limping Greenidge in a tangle to bowl bim middle stump for 65. Cheade quickly had Paul Terry leg before and, from a reasonably comfortable 115 for three. Hampshire, needing 161 to avoid following on, found thamselves dismissed for undertasted on 1. Law.

slip by Hampshire off Old's howling when he had made 45, had already given evidence of the power in his stroke play. and, given this lead, the third wicket stand gathered momentum in the alternoon. Afternoon.
Yet, when 94 runs had been saded, Yorkshire, not without a shade of luck, broke through. Balderstone, then 74, unlessing a featsome straight drive and as Did, the bowler, swooped to field, the ball ricocheted onto the stumps, with Gower out of his ground and quite reasonably anticipating the first of four runs.

After one regal stroke, Davison, and who,

too, was thrown out, and when Balderstone was on the threshold of a century against his former county, he was well beaten and bowled by Cope. LECKETTREMIRE: First Innings
F. Steele, c. and b. Carrick
E. Bhars, I-b-w b. Old
C. Balderstone, b. Cone
I. F. Davison, run out:
R. W. Davison, run out B. Curt, not out Extras (b), 1-b 1, n b 10

Total 15 wkis dec. 73,5 J. Birkenshaw, J. P. Agnow, N. B. Cook, and K. Higgs did no PALL OF WICKETS: 1-15, 2-74
5-172, 4-180, 3-206
BOWLING: Old 15-1-32-1,
Stevenson, 17-0-79-0; Sincebotton,
1, 2000., 10.8-2-57-1
YORKSMIRE, Pirst Innines
G Boycott, C Tolchard, b Look

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K. Shum. P. Carrick. "D. L. Salvalov.
A. Sidpbettom, G. B. Stevenson and
G. Al Cope in Bal.
FALL OF WICKLES: 1—72.
Books points: Lalcelershire 3. Yarl
Drygres: K. E. Palmer and E. W.
Spincer.

Greenidge limps, Hants fall

Surcey's first innings was taken to 310 for five, Roger Knight, the captain, beating Tavaré, of Kent, for the first championship century of the season. Graham Roope soon followed him with 101.

The Ovel

Giles Chestie removed Gordon to 108 for six at Trent: Bridge.

Greenidge in his third over. It was his first wicket for Surrey and started Hampshire's slide towards the follow on.

The slow left arm bowler joined the Ovel treff from Surrey land.

Swansea

Three hours play was lost at
the beginning of the day. The
Glamorgan innints against Essey,
the county champions was proposed
up by Javed Miandad who was
understed on 134 at the close, his
century taking 191 minutes. With
one first innings wicket standing,
Glamorgan are 55 runs behind.

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Nottingham

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Nottinghamshire made an excellent recovery after being dismissed for 154 in their first in a stay of five and a half hours.

Motor racing

Renault the team to watchin Belgian Grand Prix

Addin Prost and Ellor de Angelis have recovered sufficiently from the European season which marks the moment of truth for all participants in search of motor racings, world championship.

This year it falls to Belgium to open the mine-rice European stries, which will take teams on to Monaco, Spain, France, Bertain, Germany, Austria. The Netherlands and Italy in such quick succession that there will be precious little time for hetween-rice testing. This is why Sunday's 70-lap race at Zolder should be the such a significant pointer to litture form and why everyone who such a significant pointer to turner form and why everyone who begins practice there today will be hoping that all the intensive test me which has taken place during past week; has not been in

Lyery race track poses its special problems and at Zeider the most important need is a set of powerful and durable brake. There are four points on this 1.55-mile circuit where they take a hammering, and these are raced out in such a way that the brakes get little that to cool off before the next heavy amplication. The fact that the track surface offers exceptional grin merchadus to the problems because it means that cars can be braked liter, and therefore harder, if the track is dry. Following Plauet's excellent rectormance at Long Beach, his Brabham's progress will be natched with interest, as will the

latest version of the Saudia Lev-

By John Elansden

Regardless of what success individual teams and have achieved in South America. South Mirca or the west cutsr of the United States, it is the beginning of the European season which it is the beginning of the European season which it is the beginning the first store return to the McLaren and long teams respectively.

such a lean time so lar this year. such a lean time so lar hits year, and although their main development effort is beigg centred on their turbo-charged car, which is expected to be texted in July, they must not be discounted this weekend on a circuit where they have won three times in the last tire years. Renault, however, will be the team to watch and if they have overcome their brake probnave overcome their drake prod-lens they will be a difficult team to beat. Much will depend on their ability to cara a front position on the grid for the first erand pris from which special qualifying trees have been benned. have overcome their brake prob After four races Amount and After four races remove and riquet share the lead in the world championship table with 18 points, followed by Jores, Surfaces and Piron with eight. Remait end Brabham-Ford each have 18 points in the constructors' table, with williams-ford on 15 and Ligier-Ford on 14.

Controversial rugby tour starts with more blessings than burdens

Oxford University

Old scars give Beaumont's Lions a target

wales. Ireland).

Ev Richard Streeton

The Effish fales team who fearly temotrow for an 18-match rugar union tour of South Africa have several advinuages dealed to all their modern predecessors. The 19.4 Libns led by McBride were the first visiting side this century to win an international series in South Africa. They did it basically through the strength and rechnique of their strummaging; something which until then had always been the prerogadve of the Springboks. It left South African rugby mentally scarred and virtual sporting isolation sline has hardly been conductive to remedying their problems.

South Africa two years later problems

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South Africa two years later
beat the Ali Blacks 3—1 in the
only international series they have
played since but that season it was Scuth African goal kicking which proved decisive. Last week-end, aimost unbellevably we read about the heaviest Springbok pack in history conceding a pushover try in their preparatory game against a South American XV. Clearly South African supremacy forward will again be far from guaranteed. Nothing suresses the improved organization and thinking of Lions' sides in the seventes—compared with bygone days—than the supremacy of their own formatic in the seried. forwards in this period. Beaumont's players in the next Begumonits players in the next ten weeks also have the benefit of an inherary less ardunus in some ways than used to be the case. Every match will be a hard one but a compensation is that there are fewer changes from altitude in sea level grounds. No rugby tour physically is more

gruciling than the trek round South Africa's mostly hard grounds, with matches often played in heat and humidity and on different surfaces.

Although the 1980 Lions have more than one hiessing to count as they depart, they also carry the burden of knowing that the tour itself has earned widespread disapproval for political reasons. Indisputably the repercussions will be felt for many years ahead, not only in rugby union.

There have been enormous improvements on the South African and professional commitments. The players finally chosen were well received generally and have a flexibility for several different sports than in rugby, which remains, primarity, the Afrikaans game. The individual Lions had

Touring party

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Scotland. V. A. C. Stemen (Laverpool and England).

CENTRISS: R. V. R. Gravell (Liancill

and Wales). J. Remvick (Havekk

and Scotland. D. S. Richards (Swan
Lacteure and England).

STAND-OFF HALVES: S. O. Common

hell (Old Belvedore and Ireland).

SCHUM HALVES: T. D. Holmes

(Carvill and Wales). C. S. Patterson

(In tomains and Ireland).

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and England). C. Williams (Swanne)

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HOOKERS: A. J. Phillips (Cardiff and Wales). P. J. Wheeler (Leicester and England).

LOCKS: W. B. Boaumont (Fyide and England, captain), M. J. Coiclough Angouleme and England. A. J. Varrin (Spraym and Wales). A. J. Tomes (Hawick and Scotland).

FLANKERS: 9, M. Lane / Cardill and Wales, J. B. O'Driscoll (London Irish and Ireland), J. Squilre (Pontypool and Wales), C. C. Tocker (Shannon and

Ireland:
NUMBER EIGHTS: J R. Reatile
(Sistemy Academicals and Scoting).
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MARAGER: S. J Willar (Ireland).
Coach N A. A. Murphy (Ireland).
Doctor: J. Matthews (Waled). Programme

MAY 10. v Eastern Province (Port Limbeth), 14 v 84 Knoby Association (East London); 17: v Maral (Durksru); 21. v 83 knokation (View London); 17: v Maral (Durksru); 21. v 83 knokation Xv (Potchef-strough); 23: v 9 Crange Free State (Bloemforten); 27: v 83 knokation (Cape Town); 31: v South Africa (Lape Town); 31: v South Africa (Subserv); 13: v South Africa (Subserv); 13: v South Africa (Burksru); 13: v South Africa (Burksru); 13: v South Africa (Burksru); 13: v South Africa (Port Elizabeth); 13: v South Africa (P

African rugby.

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There is no question that this Lions side has the potential to play some specificular rugby in undertaking a programme which

undertaking a programme which includes at least six matches when non-white players might, be on-countered, and also a fixture against Zimbebwe in Salisbury. As always the final playing record will depend on whether mistakes are eradicated and whether they are efficient in defence. In Mostry are efficient in defence. In Messrs Millar and Murphy they have a manager and coach with the widest possible knowledge of muring in South Africa. In Reaumont they have a captain cast in the McBride mould in them of characteristics. mould in terms of character and determination. He also fulfils that Napoleonic dictum about generals and their luck. All seems set for a memorable tour.

When amateurs do not look beyond opponents' noses

By Srikumar Sen Boxing Correspondent Britain's selectors get a chance Boxing Correspondent

Britain's selectors get a chance to have another look at Olympic prospects tonight when the country's top amateurs meet at Wembley for the final of the ABA national champiouships, sponsored by George Wimpey, the construction company. For the boxers Moscow is still a million mites away, for on big occasions like this they can see no further than their opponents' noses.

However, there are three who look an automatic choice. They are George Gilbody (St Helens) at lightweight, the most experienced boxer in Britain; the lightweiter Tony Willis (Rotunda), a scaffolder with Wimpey, who has beaten Botos of Hungary, and Paul, of the United States; and Andrew Straughn, of Hitchin, who won a gold medal in Greece. These three should not be troubled tonight.

Some of the remaining cight weights are weak and some overstrong. Those likely to be closely strong. Those likely to be closely contested are overstrong ones like the bantamweight between Ray Gilbody (St. Helens) and Jim McDonnell (St. Panetras), the light-middle between Nick Wilshire (National Smelting Co) and James Price (Holy Name), and the heavy yetween Frank Eruno (Str. Philip Game) and Rudi Pika (Llandati). Gilbody will have to be careful against a two-handed fighter like McDonnell, a painter with Camden McDonnell, a painter with Camden council. If the St Helens man goes in two-handed he could be caught. It would be in his best interests to box and counter-punch. Glibbdy appears to have lost some of his

sparkic after his defeat by frungu in Kenya. The 18-year-old Wil-shire, who is one of England's most exciting young boxers, will be going to Rimini for the European junior championships nert month, so he had best not get into a brawl with the clever and more a brawl with the cleter and more experienced, Price, who is a hard-hitting southpaw. Wishfre won a silver medal in the world junior championships at Yokohama, being beeten by a Russdan.

The boat of the evening could be the one between Bruno and Pika. Bruno, though he has beated Mel Crystle, one of the fightnux Crystle brothers of Dublin. Is really a novice. He can'hit at long range but he could be in trouble against Pika, who relies on coming inside and cutting loose with buth inside and cotting loose with both hands. The Weishman, however, is at a height disadvantage. The selectors will have to take a careful look at the featherweight bout between Mohammed Hanif (Stockton) and Willie Buchatan (Lochez). There are two caser powerful candidates for this place. Peter Hanion and Ian Meleod, of Scotland Hanisham was furnished.

Scotland. Hanton was hursing an injured hand when he was heaten by Hamif. There has been talk of by Hamif. There has been talk of McLeod turning professional, but if he is still eligible the Scots may put his case forward. Olympic response

The Bridish Olympic Association were \$400,00 short of their film target when the abnounced their decision to dely the boycott call in March, but the public have responded to the wall for more money.

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Hungarians move for Iran project

Hungary has offered to help fran complete a \$3,200m (£1,400m) petrochemical complex at the southern port of Bandar Khomeini in place of a

Japanese consortium.

The official Pars, news agency said the offer came at. meeting between Mr Reza Sadr. Iranian commerce minisgarian ambassador in Tehran. An Iranian delegation is to visit

Hungary.

A company formed by Japan's Mitsui industrial group had completed 85 per cent of the project when work stopped a year ago soon after the Tranian revolution.

Iran is anxious to see the project finished but there have been continuing disputes over-labour control, now further complicated by Japanese sup-port for American economic saddions against Iran.

Paris-Peking oil deal

The French state-controlled compagnie Francaise des Petroles has signed an agreement in Peking for oil research and production in a 3,800 square mile area off the southern China coast. The agreement with the China Petroleum Company will be submitted to both governments for approval.

Building orders fall

Seasonally adjusted construc-tion orders received by 43 Japanese companies in March fell by 4.1 per cent from the February level, equivalent to a decline of about £1,350m.

Price rises slow

The South African wholesale price index rose by 0.63 percent in March after a 1.25 per cent rise in February. The year-on-year increase slowed to 18.f1 per cent from 18.64 per cent in February, according to official

Thei export target

Thailand has set its export target for this year at 136,000m bant YE3,000m), a 25 per cent increase on last year's actual exports, a spokesmen for the commerce ministry said. He forecast that the country-would still suffer a trade deficit of 45,000m baht.

Some highlights

In Belgium · .

lion convertible loan.

of the 1979 financial year.

☐ Strengthening of permanent

funds through conversion of 80%

of the convertible loan floated in

1969 and increase of these funds

through issue of a new BF 2.5 bil-

☐ Substantial rise in credit facili-

ties to the private sector (+.

16.2%), particularly in special

loans for young people, personal

loans and mortgage loans, as well

as investment credits to small and

☐ Extension of electronic payment

facilities - 130 "Mr Cash" auto-

mats in operation at the end of

1979 and expansion of the services provided.

□ Private placements of loans:

amounting to BF 8.5 billion, on

behalf of the energy sector alone:

Underwriting of public authority bond issues totalling BF 69

billion and leading role in the gran-

ting of foreign currency credits to

☐ Processing of nearly 208 million

☐ Operating funds of subsidiaries

and affiliates increased by BF 1.2

☐ Assistance to foreign trade:

International activities

these authorities.

billion.

book entries. (+ 6.8%).

medium-sized enterprises.

Department of Energy to be given names of companies denied supplies

Campaign against gas monopoly

Chemical industry leaders expect soon rial demand such as the North-west, the to be able to provide the Department of Midlands, the North-east and central. Energy with detailed examples of cases Scotland.

The association, which represents an in-

The names of the companies will not be made public, but it is hoped that their experience will demonstrate that the insbility of British Gas to meet industrial demonstrate. demand is restraining investment and job creation.

Last February, the House of Commons was told that altogether 4,000 companies were waiting to be connected.

It is understood that the department will also be given estimates of likely regional demand for gas supplied to in dustrial producers by an independent distribution system.

The information has been gathered, largely at the request of energy ministers, to support radical proposals by the Chemical Industries Association that the Government break the British Gas monopoly in buying, moving and selling gas in the United Kingdom.

association to provide further details. Mr
This would give potential suppliers Martin Trowbridge, director general of from the private sector on opportunity to provide a new network for industry. It — Telks—are also to be held next week was suggested at a meeting with Mr with the United Kingdom Offshore David Howell, Secretary of State for Operators Association over the feasibility Energy, earlier this year, that this might of an independent distribution scheme, serve highly concentrated areas of indust.

In the past companies have been reluc-

dustry with an annual turnover of about £15,000m, sees the ending of the British Gas monopoly as part of the long-term

Gas monopoly as part of the long-term solution to supply problems. It estimates that there will be a shortfall in supplies to the gas chemicals industry by 1983 of about 200 million therms a day. Because of past and existing obligations to the domestic consumer, industry has found itself increasingly starved of new supplies, the association argues. In the first nin emonths of the past year, for example, 935 million additional therms became available, but of that total only 32 million went to industry.

The Government and the British Gas Corporation acknowledges that because of

Corporation acknowledges that because of the very large increase in domestic de-mand it has been unable to meet industrial

requests for supplies.
It has expressed interest in the chemical industry's proposals, but asked the association to provide further details, Mr

tant to admit that they had been refused a supply because they feared that it might delay further a connexion. But it is known that demands by the Swiss-based Roche group for gas to power its new vitamin C plant at Dalry in Ayrsbire could not be

Mr Trowbridge emotiasized that his association members were not planning to go into the gas supply business, although some, of their parent companies, with North Sea interests, were watching deve-

lopments.

"What we are seeking is a change in the law to allow potential independent operators the opportunity to act should it prove commercially feasible."

Chemical industry leaders have held several meetings with British Gas over both the availability of gas and its price. They believe that, but for the mildness of the winter and the generally low level of industrial activity, consumers on "interruptible" contracts may have faced hardship because of supply cuts. hardship because of supply cuts.

They have also argued, inconclusively. that British industrial gas users are at a price disadvantage against overseas rivals. Part of the answer to both availability and price problems faced by industry, they believe, lies in raising domestic tariffs.

John Huxley

Bank invests | US fibre imports a £5m in small long-term challenge **businesses**

Barcleys Bank is to invest 5m in small -industrial premises to be built in assisted areas. The bank will acquire sites from the English Industrial Estates Corporation and finance the building work which will be done by the

corporation. The bank is the third major Government's attempts to provide premises for small companies in industrially depressed areas. The programme began after a report published earlier this year showed there was a significant shortage of small industrial premises throughout

the country. Since the report was pub-lished, £25m has been raised to build these small units and £29m of this has been provided by the private sector. In Feb-ruary, the Legal and General Assurance Company put up £5m for the development of more conventional industrial units in the assisted areas and last month CIN Properties offered £15m. In return for the investment the private sector companies will control the free-

hold of the properties and retain control of the rents. Mr David Mitchell, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Industry welcomed Barclays' involvement in the venture. He said that it would pay for the construction of at least 200 much needed nursery-units.

Annual report

Balance sheet-total

Deposits and cash

Due to banks

Loans to the private

Bills and securities -

General expenses exclu-

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28th on the international list of

□ International bond issues: 15th on the international list of banks.

☐ Inauguration of the Tokyo

Branch - Opening of new repre-

sentative offices in Italy (Milan),

Spain (Madrid) and New York -

Setting up of Belgian American

Securities Inc. in New York -

Opening of an investment bank,

Belgian Finance Company Limi-

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Generale Bankmaatschappij

By John Huxley
A warning that cheap imports of man-made fibres imports of man-made, intrestrom the United States will continue to challenge European markets even after the present—allegedly unfair—cost advantages enjoyed by American producers had been eroded, has been given by a leading chemi-

been given by a leading chemicals executive.

Dr Kurt Lanz, the West German president of CEFIC, the European federation of chemical manufacturers, said that "problems" posed by artificially low energy and feedstock costs enjoyed by American producers would recede. At the same time, the cital-leage from cheap American imports, first felt in fibres but more recently in plastics and other bulk chemical markets, would be moderated. However, he said that because of other

production advantages in the United States in fibres production, European producers would remain under pressure.

Dr Lenz, who is also deputy. Chairman of Hoschst, the West German chemicals company, added that action taken by Britain to stem imports of fibres, especially from the United Stares, would not yield results. The quotas agreed by the European Commission were show the effective imports remain under pressure.

above the effective import level, he said. Both Dr Lanz and Dr Rolf Sammet chairman of Hoechau, hinted that they would oppose attempts to persuade the Commission to protect western European producers.

as at 31.12.78

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The gross cash flow for the 1979 financial year amounts to BF 5,477 million,

as against BF 5,301 million in 1978 (+ 3.32%). After allowing for deprecia-

tion, decreases in value and corporation tax, the profit for the year totals BF

The Annual General Meeting held on 22 April 1980 decided to pay a dividend

of BF 225, net of withholding tax, on the 5,559, 142 existing shares, as against

BF 220 on 5,004,312 shares for the previous year.

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Conference on Industrial Coopera-

☐ First-class rating for the issue of

Recruitment of 536 new em-

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Consolidated balance sheet total

The full Report may be obtained

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BF 1,014 billion (+ 16.13%).

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as at 31.12.1979:

Their remarks come as the EEC is poised to take anti-dumping action against certainman made fibres from the United States, Earlier this year, the Commission agreed to ini-lateral action by Britain against imports of two forms of syn-thetic fibre, polyester filament and nylon carpet yern. The British producers had argued that domestic markets had been disrupted, mainly by American imports.

Dr Lanz was speaking in Frankfurt where Roechst yes-terday announced sales in 1979 of DM27,000m (about £7,000m), 11.9 per cent up on 1978, Profits rose by DM506m to DM1,750m

Hoechar's fibres operations, which have been extensively restructured in recent years, con-tributed a profit of about £15m. This is in marked contrast to other European fibre producers, who have; been forced to cut back output to minimize losses. Britain's ICI, for example, made a loss on its fibres operations in 1978 of 233m. Cheap imports from the United States were given as a reason. Dr Sammet said that the

pr Sammet said that the revival in profitability of fibres in 1979 might prove exceptional. However, he was convinced that the group, which has a fibres plant at Limavady, in Northern Ireland, was now in good shape to face the future. He said that attempts by Brisish manufacturers to curb imposses had led to "not fortun." imports had led to "not fortun-ate: arrangements".

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CBI urges faster metrication

By Our Industrial Staff Employers' leaders will seak to persuade the Government to press ahead with metrication when they meet Lord Tren-chard, Minister of State at the Department of Industry, later

The Confederation of British Industry says that failure to complete the transition—which will be slowed by the abolition of the Metrication Board this week—could cost industry many millions of pounds—pos-sibly as much as £1,100m a

The delegation, led by Mr Bryan Rigby, deputy director general of the CBL is expected to tell the minister that unless a firm lead is provided by Government the switch will not be completed for at least another

"Industrial companies cannot change on their own. Changing depends on customers as well as suppliers, and needs at least a minimum of cooperation", Mr Rigby said last night.

The CBI is perticularly con-cerned that once again the country and industry in parti-cular is being plunged into uncertainty.

Pressure from industry was largely responsible for the establishment of the metrication programme and the launching of the Metrication Board 11

It- was intended that manufeaturing industry would have reached 75 per cent metrication by 1975; in fact, industrial observers say that progress has been made only halfway.

Mr Jack Whiteley, who leads the CBI's metrication psuel, has recently completed a survey of companies which suggests that the sector is only 45 per cent of the way towards completing the switch from imperial

measures.

The cost of dual working, in metric and imperial, for an average company with 140 emplayees and an amuel rurnover of £1.7m, is put at £49.000 (a year: Although the CBI admits that aggregatet figures can be misleading, it suggests that the total cost to munufacturing industry of continuing to operate a half end half system is about

f1,100m, a year.
Altogether the CSI survey suggests that 44 per cent of plant bought by manufacturing industry in 1979 was still built. to imperial measures. As much of the plant has a life of more than 20 years, it means that total transition cannot occur un-til at least the tur nof the cen-

Call to buy more UK goods By Kenneth Owen Technology Editor

Public buying policy should be used more effectively to attengthen British Industry, Mr John Sutherland, president of the Electronic Engineering Association, said in London last night.

Speaking at the annual dinner of the association, Mr Sutherland said that Britain's decline in competitiveness must be reversed. The export drive of British industry's foreign competitors was underpined by strong and dependable home

by strong and dependable home demand from their own government for products and systems which had been developed at public expense.

Efforts by the British Government to help and support experts were improving, the EEA president conceded.

But he added: "Foreign purchases are still made in circumstances which would be inconceivable for our trading competitors, The foreign shop window is always that little bit more attractive to our government buyers, the foreign salesman's claim that little bit more extravagant, but still lament

extravagant, but still lament-ably credible to his victim; and when we do buy overseas it is sometimes more as supplicants than customers. We must always bear in mind the difference in true net cost to the Treasury of a pound spent with British industry and a pound spent abroad. The true purchasing power of the red, white and blue pound can be conservatively assessed as one third more than a pound paid to our foreign compensors."

From R. G. R. Calvert on a rail-borne vehicle to Sir, Mr Peter Hill ("Levitation; answer to a Japanesa mph made in 1954. Subsections and read your rail-borne vehicle at Alamaissue of May 13, 1914—I. refer gordo reached a speed of 3,753

to the report of the demonstration in London organized by Mr
Emile Rachelet.
Incidentally on April 5, 1957
Licutenant-Colonel John P.
Stapp, at the Holloman Air
Force Base, Alamagordo, New Mexico, travelled at 632 mph gordo reached a speed of 3,753 mph (but perhaps this does not count). These exploits were jet-propelled.
Yours faithfully,
R. G. R. CALVERT,
45 Woodwaye, Oxhey, Watford.
April 25.

will lead to fewer jobs should be transformed into a Sir, Christopher Warman's national tax because commerce and industry have no voice in article of April 19 on the nonlocal affairs and the current comestic rates burden was rates system encourages irretimely and necessary. .. Many sponsibility in local authorities. small businesses have recently Given that the present Government appears to have no pro-.. demands and the owners of posals to alter the local taxthose businesses are no doubt base, an alternative would be to wondering where the money is reintroduce the business vote going to come from to fund the as a means of bringing practical experience to bear on the diffi-Taken out of context, the cult problems facing local

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Rates burden on small concerns

Professor George Jones (that In our large cities small firms non-domestic rates were passed on in prices to be paid for have seen a decline in . a the volume of local authority housing for staff;
b the refuse collection service for industrial waste (for which we are charged additionally) mostly by people with no conpection with the area in which

ally); c main and secondary roads: the discipline and educational standard of school leavers (who seek employment as close to home as possible); e the quality of policing, essential for the protection of

omic theories on the distribu-All these features represent cost constraints to the develop-ment of locally based industry have been increased by £5,000 and employment which many authorities claim to want. and in the current difficult

trading climate that will mean The business vote would proone less job in an inner city vide a formal mechanism to area desperate for economic secure more effective policies to meet the long-term needs of Professor Jones was, of local employment and a greater course, arguing that rates contribution to public affairs by

limited companies with not dis-

similar objectives and purposes have obtained the same dispen-

Principal The Bridsh School of

Osteopathy, 16 Buckingham Gate, London SW1E-6LB,

structural faikure.

Oil companies work closely with research laboratories, con-

tractors, the Department of

Energy and classification soc-

ieties to ensure that designs are

of current technology and every effort is made to avoid

catastrophes such as that which occurred with the Alex-

Surveyors, who between them have formed the Coordinating Committee for Project Informa-

tities. This move should considerably improve the documen-

tation produced at tender stage. Yours faithfully,

Chairman, Coordinating Committee for

ALEX GORDON.

Project Information.

Parliament Square

Problem with 'Limited'

From the Principal, The British School of Osteopathy Sir, I understand that the De-partment of Trade has issued a Consultative Document concerning some proposed changes at Companies Registration Office. It is proposed to make these changes as part of the Government's economy drive.
One of the proposals made is

From Mr E. A. Napun

received their new

cademic argument ascribed to

the tax was levied) is dangerous

nonsense. Most small firms

operate in bighly competitive

markets and large increases in

local rates will be paid for

locally in the form of less jobs.

Labour controlled authorities should be made aware of this

reality and not blinded by econ-

tional effects of local business

taxes. My firm's rates in London

reseneration.

increase.

that "the department will no longer authorize any company to omit the word 'limited' from its name: private companies already holding dispensation should be required to add 'limited' to their names, after a suitable transitional period".

We are a limited company and also a registered charity, whose objectives are "the promotion of the general advance-ment of osteopathic education; to encourage research; to estab-lish scholarships and prizes, and prepare and qualify those who wish to maintain and practise the system of osteopathy".

Because of these educational purposes and objectives, we

Offshore structures tests From Mr Ian McDonald Mr Graham Whiting (April 24) may take some com-fort from the knowledge that

fort from the knowledge that the model testing of offshora structures is rightly regarded as an essential ingredient in a structure's design. A number of laboratories and test estab-lishments, including our own, are deeply involved in model testing offshora structures testing offshore structure throughout their design phase. structures

Tests are carried out on dynamically accurate models in all weather conditions likely to be encountered. Laboratory conditions are created to simulate the worst storms that statistics indicate will occur in West Kirby, any 100 year period. Addi- Wirral, Cheshire.

Yours faithfully, IAN McDONALD, Director,
Sea Bed Engineering Ltd.
PO Box 3.
West Kirby.
Cheshire.

Code of practice for building drawings tion of Building Trades Em-ployers, the Royal Institute of British Architects and the Royal Institution of Chartered

Sir, Mr A. C. Ensom (letters April 18) is not alone in his desire to avoid additional costs in building contracts. He mentions changes in specification made during the course of concause of construction costs and he argues that architects and others need to tackle the This committee has the com-plex and difficult task of de-veloping proposals for a code of practice for drawings which problem at the design stage during the preparation of the can be coordinated with the specifications and bills of quanpre-contract documentation.

Mr Ensom will be pleased to learn that the Government's Project Information Group, which included representatives from all sides of the huilding industry, recommended in 1978, among other things, that there should be a code of practice for drawings. drawings.

This idea was taken up last London SWIP 3AD. year by the National Federa- April 28.

Long history of levitation

From Mr R. Haig-Brown

ply?

The Public Health Act 1936 imposed on us a building inspectorate and I do not disagree with that. Its continued existence is provided for through the general rate. Now, if we have occasion to use it, we are surcharged for its attention. It is proposed to apply similar thinking to the Town and Country Planning Acts.

By the same token, the

Education Act 1944 brought in compulsory education for all and I do not disagree with that. Shall we then expect soon to be surcharged for local authority teachers' services to carry out what is obligatory?

Would it not be saner to

small businesses who are usually strongly connected with their local areas. Regional Chairman, Association of Independent Businesses, 133 Copeland Road, London, El 9AA.

From Mr R. L. Paterson
Sir, Mr James of the CBI, in
his letter of April 23, is in
error in referring to th
absence of agreed or helpfi
definitions of small business.
The Bolton Committee c
Inquiry on small firms said i
its report that it had bee essentially concerned with th owner-managed business, by need for quantitative defir tions and adopted the follow ing: manufacturing, 20 employees or less; retailin turnovef £50,000 p.a. or less wholesale irades, turnov 5200,000 p.s. or less; constrution, 25 employees or less

mining/quarrying, employees or less trades, turnover £100,000 less; miscellaneous servici rurnover £50,000 p.a. or les road, trausport, 5 vehicles less; catering, all (excludi multiples and brewe managed public houses). R. L. PATERSON.

Director, The Merseyside Chamber Commerce and Industry, 1 Old Hall Street,

Comparison of British . sought an amendment to our Memorandum and Articles of Association dated May 7, 1917, to delete the word "limited" from our title, and this was granted on January 23, 1979. I am sure that many other private limited commands with not disand US banks

From Mr David Jessop Sir, Mr A. J. Hatton atta British banks for being " competitive" and "mono listic" and suggests that banking public in Germa France and the United State better served than its Brit counterpart (April 29).

sation and I would suggest that all such companies combine to resist the proposed measure, Besides the undesirability of The argument is not a 2 one: there are, for exam 14,000 banks in the Un States, rherefore use fi Americans have a wide ch of banking facilities and competition among these is such a measure, per se, I cannot see how, in fact, that discontinuance of departmental audiorization will result in great, if any, real economies and indeed, if the latter part of the proposal is also implemented, surely the cost to public find will be a least a high or tutions minimizes costs to customer. Sadly, this is on theory and the multiplicit banks only a quirk of Amer history. In small towns funds will be at least as high as it is now, if not higher. Yours faithfully. S. F. G. BRADFORD, rural areas the average Ar can has access usually to tw three sinall banks, which c quote higher borrowing than the larger multinations stitutions. In New York, Chic San Francisco and other l cities the banking scene is similar to that in the Ur Kingdom as a whole—a hat of banks dominate the var tional tests are undertaken to investigate stability in the event of collision damage or major

markets and offer similar vices at similar prices.

The banks in this countr offer a sophisticated ser which the United States ca match. If Mr Hatton is in d about this let me assure his the sheer impossibility of a ing a cheque in Washin State which is drawn on a T bank. Any resident of G Britain has immediate ac to at least four major in national banking netw something unobtainable most Americans.

Of course, there are I problems, lunchtime queues the like, but hopefully t can be settled on a local b Small banks also have lu time queues. And I agree
British banks do offer "un
petitive hours" to
customers—this might be
of the whole British attitut business and service. As . working person knows most vices are at "uncompet hours" — solicitors, den shops, department st libraries, erc. The list is ent Yours faithfully, DAVID JESSOP 57 Abbotsford Gardens, Woodford Green, Essex IG8 9HP,

April 29, 1980. Dealing with

bad payers From Mr Duncon Woolard Sir, It was saddening, but prising to read Mr T. H. I ming's letter (April 28). employers are evidently aware that they could e and very quickly, resolve flow problems by puttin; "Big Boys" in the court; no solicitor is need the procedure and the thre adverse publicity is enough to produce prompt ment before any hearing place. In fact, a telephone informing the debtor of the

county court may ever enough.

1 hope this advice is no late; if Mr Flemming wish confirm this, any Cir Advice Bureau will be gl advise him. DUNCAN WOOLARD,

Yours faithfully, 23 The Middlings, Sevenoaks,

Paying your money and getting no choi

Sir. Where is the process to end of first applying controls, to be followed later by introducing fees in order to com-

Would the victim of crime be called upon to find police fees? Could the genuine down-

and-out be required to meet the costs to administer his social security, the certified his medication, the prisoner warder, the elector his MP, and if not, why not?

dismantle the whole caboodle, recognize man is incapable of April 28.

ural order of things, invita box of matches as did Home of the Hirsel and c the time so saved to a just one essential—enjo of a happy life, a chacun gout 5 The old ladage has

become : You pays your : and you gets no choice. Yours faithfully, RICHARD HAIG-BROWN Lambrook House, Wootton Grove, Sherborne, Dorset DT9 4DL

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BUSINESS NEWS



- Stock markets FT Index 443.2, up 2.8
- FT Gilts 67.27, up 0.05 Sterling

\$2,2600, up 15 points

- Index 72.9, up 0.3 Dollar
- Index 86.8, unchanged
- Gold
- \$497.50, down \$17 Money
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IN BRIEF Improved offer to bank clerical workers

Bank employers conceded 19 per cent pay award to nearly 100,000 clerical workers, last

employees at National Westmin-ster, Lloyds and Barclays Banks are unlappy with the new offer and the Banking Insurance and Finance Union is to hold a special executive meeting next Tuesday to discuss the Tuesday to discuss cmployers latest move.

The banks' offer, which is aimed at correcting differentials makes improvements in backdating payments to certain grades. The previous offer was rejected by the staff associations and BIPU.

Arab oil price rises

Unconfirmed reports yesterand Saudi Arabia were about to put up prices. Saudi prices are expected to rise as an Opec recting next week and Kuwait is said to be imposing a \$2.50 a

Consumer spending up Consumer spending rose by 2.25 per cent in the first quarter of this year, according to afficial figures released Table, page 25

Exports recover

British exports to Nigoria, which slumped by about £500m to £638m in 1979, have recovered. Sales in the first quarter were £250m, Mr John Note Secretary of State Trade, leaves for a visit to

House prices higher House prices in the first quarter rose by 3; per cent to an average of £23,400. New

houses are more expensive at an average of £26,200, having increased by 6 per cent in the first quarter compared with the cent rise in second-hand

More US dealings

Dealings in the 120 American stocks nuoted on the London Stock Exchange have more than doubled since October lifted, Mr Nicholas Goodison, the exchange chairman, told analysts in Boston.

Arab aid to Turkey

Saudi Arabia is to give Furkey a cush credit of \$250m (\$110m), Mr Suleyman Demirel, the Turkish premier, an-

£4.5m power contract

Brosh Electrical Machines will supply 10 sets of electrical equipment for the new high-speed passenger trains to operate between Con-berra and Sydney. The contract is worth £4{m.

Rhodesian assets

Mr Nigel Lawson, Financial Secretary to the Treasury, told MPs that remaining Rhodesian assets in the United Kingdom were probably more than \$100m.

Will Street down

On the New York Stock Exchange the Dow Jones Industrial average closed 8.27 points down to 808.79 in trading over 20 million shares. The doller against the SDR was 1.29464.

improved telephone service Technology Editor The Post Office is planning. an "unprecedented" effort to improve the quality of the telephone service over the next five years, Mr Peter Benton, managing director of Post Office Telecommunications, said yesterday. It will tost \$1,500m 6. Improving the speed of revest to expand and modernize network and customers'

£1,500m a year on

Between now and 1990, a 50 per cent increase in the size of

financed its development pro-

grammes entirely from retained carnings, he said, but for this

year it needed to asgment this by external borrowing.

The modernization which goes against the line of government

policy towards the public cor-porations at present, is being discussed with the Department of Industry and with the Treasury from which approval

Mr Benton described the plan as "attacking the problem at the roots; we intend to improve

the roots; we thinking to and we service permanently, and we will not be content until Britain

has the finest relecommunica-tions service in the world."

There were still deficiencies

unresolved, he added, "but we have the will and the ability to

eight-point plan to improve the

namufactuers. However,

the final say on this issue rests with President Carter.

White House does not consider

which was submitted by

From Frank Vogl US Economics Correspondent

Washington, May 1.—The Bache Group brokerage house sold millions of ounces of silver in late March to ward off financial difficulties after hearing that March Europe Hunt Hunt

that Mr. Nelson Bunker Hunt and Mr William Herbert Hunt could not make large credit

Barclays Bank was one of 10 hanks that had provided loans to Backe with silver builting as

The Hunt brothers, clients of

the Bache Group, are due to testify before a congressional

silver dealings. They are trying

from a group of banks to

There are indications that the

overcome them "....

must be obtained.

per cent increase in the size of the itelephone network was envisaged. Mr. Beniop said. There are 17 million customers and 27, million telephones, at present, making the British telephone system already one of the largest in-the world.

Last year the Post Office telecommunications business had Mr. Peter Benton: intention is financial in development pro-

offered to customers on all ex-changes progressively, starting

2. Identifying trouble spots in the local cable network and re-placing plant which did not meet high performance stan-dards. A total of £35m was spent on this last year and 42m would be spent in 1980-

.3. Improving the reliability of the standard telephone. Imponents for existing models are to be introduced. More than 25 million standard telephones are to be replaced or improved, at a cost of £25m over the next four years.

4. Improving the psyphone scr-vice. By 1985 all 77,000 public kiosk coinboxes will be replaced by modern designs, and all 400,000 remers' coinbox tele-phones by 1988. This will cost over £250m: Mr Benton announced an 1. Modernizing and replacing with electronic exchanges the old electromechanical exchanges in use throughout the 5. Improving the internstional country. Top priority is to be service. This is already one of given to replacing those which the most advanced in the world, are unsatisfactory because of Mr Benton said, with 96 per old age or equipment failure.

US commission backs complaint

in the middle of a drive to improve the infernational operator service which is beginning to show results."

b. Improving the speed of reaction to customer complaints,
by delegating responsibility
and authority for action to individuals. "The old civil service management style in headquarters has been swept away
and the business reorganized
on commercial lines", he said.

I Improving numbers to meet a 7. Improving purchasing methods to enable the corporation ods to ensure the corporation to deliver what it promised.

5. Removing causes of staff dissension and encouraging a dedication to customer service. The Post Office had promised the Government to reduce the real cost of its telecommunica-

real cost of 125 resecommunica-tions services to the customer by an average of 5 per cent a year between 1978 and 1982, Mr Benton concluded. "So far we are ahead of target."

Mr Ron Dearing, who officially took over as chairman of Posts and the National Girobank yesterday, said that the

postal business was entering a crucial period. "It has faced a lot of criticism over the last year and, with 30 per cent of its costs in wages, it is vulnerable to high rates of inflation, and it has been short of staff in some important areas." However, he hoped that recent agreements with the Post Office unions would improve recruitment and

allow more flexible working arrangements to be introduced. "But this must be regarded only as a beginning", he said. "With new competing technologies, the postal business is facing growing competition." Mr Dearing, who was previ

ously a deputy secretary at the Department of Industry, said that, given a wholehearted response at all levels, he could

Post Office plans to spend Doulton's £24m offer secures Fairey By Andrew Goodrick-Clarke offer the NEB matched against planning p

cated that it might pay up to

Hambros, backed by a num-ber of institutional investors, had a firm bid on the table-worth £20.5m. This was the

us a chance,

Knowing that the preference-of the company was to remain independent knowing

for Fairey worth £19.54m, was upset that its offers had been rejected.
Fairey, the nuclear engineering, aerospace components and bridge building group, has been owned by the NEB for just

Murray and Mr Kenneth Bacon.

Fraser may be rival bidder

for Maple

the furniture chain renowned for its Tottenham Court Road in London, revealed yesterday that it may receive a takeover bid from a second

This was signalled by a request to Maple, to provide information about its proper ties the day after it rejected an improved offer from fellow Waring and Gillow of

35p a share. The identity of the potential bidder was not disclosed, but House of Fraser emerged as a firm favourite in the stock maret. It is believed that the departmental store operator, in which Loubro has a near-30 per cent stake, would use its £10.6m worth of unissued share capital

Waring's improved offer values Maple at £9.7m. compared with its first offer of

Morgan Greufell, Maple's financial adviser, said yesterday that it would not expect another bid to materialize much before the first closing date of May 21 for Waring's offer. House of Praser's share price, which has been climbing all week, gained 6p yesterday to 149p after a large order from

Europe. Mr. George Willoughby, Fraser's finance director, said that he was busy yesterday deal ing with the group's other prob-lems rather than investigating Maple's property portfolio.

Licences for 90 N Sea blocks in seventh oil exploration round

Ninety new blocks for the

Minety new blocks for the exploration and production of oil and gas on the United Kingdom Continental Shelf are to be licensed by the Department of Energy, Mr David Howell, the Secretary of State, told Parliament yesterday.

This is the seventh round of licensing since the start of the system in 1964. It is about 20 blocks more than was originally planned as a result of requests from the offsbore industry for more exploration screage, and includes two new features and one important change from the

The most explored area of the North Sea where most finds have been made, and fSm will be charged for each licence awarded in this way.

oing beside the meridian line with Norwegian waters down to the 56th parallel. Premium pay-ments of this kind have not been demanded before, nor has the industry had the sollity to nominate, blocks.

Nominations and premiums

are a halfway house to auctioning blocks to the highest bidder. At present blocks are awarded on the discretion of the Secretary of State. A trial auction was held in the fourth licensing round; but

was rejected for the seventh as

British companies to apply for licences. The £5m payment is equivalent to the average cost of drilling one well, a payment that most small companies as part of a consortium should be

able to meet. able to meet.

The main change from the rounds under the Labour government, which were much smaller than the blocks offered now, is that the state-owned British National Oil Corporation will no longer automatic-ally gain 51 per cent of each block on offer. It will have to apply for blocks in the same way as any other company. The BNOC is joining with around eight consorria to apply for

one important change from the fifth and sixth rounds of the previous administration.

Oil companies will be able to choose, any block they like within a designated area among the most explored the fifth the

At least 20 blocks in this area, which is bounded to the north by the 62nd parallel running beside, the meridian line

Licences will require com-panies to offer 51 per cent of any oil they may produce to the BNOC at market price. BNOC already has this right for all fields under production, but the oil industry had hoped it would be modified for the seventh round.

Its representatives will be particularly annoyed that the BNOC will have the right to sit on operating committees when arrangements for producing all are being discussed. Mr Hamisb Gray, Minister of State for Energy, said that BNOC had retained its right to buy 51 per cent of the oil to preserve the national interest.

preserve the national interestit was the Government's main
priority to ensure access to oil.
Applications are to be
required in three months' time.
The blocks which the Government has specified are in areas
which are likely to excite considerable interest. Eighty blocks
have been designated out of have been designated, out of which a maximum of 70 will be

Many are in deep water. Most of the blocks on offer to the north of the Shetland Islands are in more than 1,000 feet of water and some in more than 2,000 reer of water and some in more than 2,000ft, depths which, though on the edge of current production technology, are well within the potential for exploration.

These blocks include a number of the Cartesian and t

ber to the north of the 62nd parallel, a new area for licensing. The blocks off the Moray Firth will be well sought after as a result of the successthe area and so will those in the Channel as a restult of a recent find there by British Gas.

on steel dumping against EEC At that time the Correspondent from the European Commission in March. At that time the Washington, May 1.—The International Trade Commission, an independent United States government agency, has made a preliminary finding against the European steel in dustry by the Americans would system under which the minimum price of imports is tion. A serious trade war against European steel manufactory finding against European steel manufactory finding trans-Prime rates reduced guinst European steel teanun

turers on steel dumping.

The commission might advosome EEC officials. The trade commission's cate barriers to imports of steel from the European Community action was the first stage in to provide relief to American a complex process, which ulti-

a complex process, which ulti-mately could see barriers on steel imports. The commission concluded that there was a "reasonable indication" that low-priced European steel was damaging the American steel

a dumping complaint brought against the Europeans by the US Steel Co to have any merit.

The commission had before it today a report, believed to reflect the White House view, The Commerce Department must now determine whether European steel has been sold here at less than fair value, and on the basis of this report Department of Justice, asserting that the Europeans had not been dumping steel in the United States. But the commisthe trade commission will make . It could then recommend to

Presdent Carter that steel imsion's stuff filed a report of their own, which the commisport quotas be imposed. Last year total United States imports of steel from Europe amounted to over \$1,400m (2614m). The United States Steel sion has accented, asserting that the American steel industry has been damaged by imports from company filed its dumping years.

Hunts likely to sell silver holdings

of the Federal Reserve Board, said today that he expects the

Hunt brothers' silver holdings will be sold to repay the bank

loan now under negotiation.

He said that the bank loan will be in the name of the Placid Off Company, which is controlled by the Hunt family

and "the expectation is that Placid will dispose of the silver in an orderly fashion... they

efficient foreign producers, the Japanese. The White House is believed

to be firmly opposed to limitahecause it considers the complaints of the steel companies to be merely excuses for inefficiency, but also because it believes that trade barriers might add to domestic inflationary pressures.

They may have to sell their \$10.80 on March 27. silver holdings.

Mr William Miller, the Secre-

in an orderly fashion they in addition to the 17.54 million ounces of silver pledged to the business."

A number of government 1.1 million ounces of silver from the Hunt burghers financial affine

Hunt brothers' financial affairs, ness on March 28, Bache had and the recent silver market sold on behalf of its banks

and the recent silver market sold on behalf of its banks crisis when the silver price fell 10.236,000 ounces of silver and from \$20.20 an ounce on March applied the proceeds of \$125.9m 25 to \$15.80 on March 26 and (556m) to reduce its bank loans.

silver holdings, Mr William Miller, Mr Paul Volcker, chairman tary of the Treasury,

With these concerns in mind. the White House left no doubt recently that it would not block car imports from Japan, despite unemployment in the United States car industry.

The American steel complaint is directed against the steel companies of Britain, France, West Germany, Holland, Belgium, Italy and Luxembourg, which are charged with selling in the United States below fair value levels over the past five

tary of the Treasury, is conven-ing a group to study avoidance of a similar crisis. Details of the Hunt brothers'-dealings with Bache are given

in a report from the govern-ment's Commodities Futures Trading Commission. It says that Mr Nelson Hunt owns

Group and that Mr William

288,350 shares of the

as President predicts cut in US inflation From Frank Vogl

Washington, May 1

President Carter declared today that he believes the United States economy " has turned the corner" with the prospects of a significant fall in the rate of inflation in coming mouths.

The President's comments came as banks across the counrry announced cuts in prime lending rate. The Merchant National Bank of Indianapolis moved in front of all other banks in reducing its prime rate to 181 per cent_from . 19 per cent. The decline in interest rates

here, at a time when inflation central banks are raising their discount rates, is provoking consevere selling pressure. The strength of the dollar in

the first quarter of this year re-sulted in foreign central banks selling net \$5,700m of United selling net \$5,700m of United States Treasury securities:

President Carter appealed for support for his anti-inflation programme today at a meeting of the Institute of Accountants. He repeated his pledge not to mpose mandatory wage and price controls.

His optimism on inflation is based on administration forestable oil prices and a recession: The administration expects

that new unemployment figures romorrow will show a significant rise. Mr Robert Carswell, Deputy secretary of the Treasury, said several foreign central banks with large holdings of Treasury securities, most notably the

were large sellers of these sectirities in the first quarter. He said that the volume of such sales are the final duarter of 1879 was \$1,400m.
Mr Carswell said that the

pace of foreign official selling of Treasury - securities kad slowed in recent weeks, because of the softer tone of the dollar estimated that sales for this quarter may amount to about 61,000m.
The Federal Reserve Board

does not appear to be making any effort to impede the declina in interest, rates. General demand for tredit appears to be falling considerably, and the rate for Federal funds traded today around 13.5 per cent. Treasury bills are now trading at well below IT per

These levels, if they hold, are bound to prompt substantial curs in prime leading rates. The major banks are still offering an assortment of prime Bank today cut its rate from 19 per cent to 18,5 per cent, while the European-American while the European-American Bank in New York amounced a cut to 19 per cent from 19.5

per cent.
Sales of Treasury securities
by foreigners, which are greatly
influenced by currency developments, are forcing the Treasury
to raise additional sums in the markets. Over the last 18 months, Open

countries have refrained from investing their surpluses, in Treating securities and have been reducing their holdings from time to time. Mr Carswell said that, in recent weeks, Opec sales of these securities had not West German federal bank, been significant.

Tyre price pledge to Community

Four east European countries, all shown by a European Commission investigation to have been dumping car tyres in the EEC have given undertakings on price levels for 1980. The commission said yesterday that low-priced tyres from Czechoslovakia, East Germany, Romania and Yugoslavia had

been dumped and had caused injury to the EEC industry. Mr John Nott, Secretary of State-for-Trade, said the case was important because it covered imports of crossply and fabric braced radial car tyres. Half of the EEC's production of these tyres is British based companies.

Britain's herd-pressed tyre industry has been campaigning for action against imports for years. The British Rubber Tore Manufacturers' Association formally applied to the Commission for anti-dumping action in March last year. The Department of Trade said: "Because of the number of exporters involved, and the

number of types of tyre, the investigation was a complex one; but it has shown that all the producers named in the com-plaint had been dumping by varying amounts. "In addition, representatives

confirmed that the dumping had aused significant injury to the. Community industry." Mr Nott said that the case which obvered four countries and 23 tyre specifications demonstrated that antidumping procedures could be made to

work effectively to protect in-dustry against unfair compen-

of the commission visited the United Kingdom producers and

Anger over truck deal

By Clifford Webb Midlands Industrial Correspondent

Guest, Keen and Nettlefolds, Britain's biggest engineering group has upset some of its customers by agreeing to market more than 5,000 East German trucks, buses and utility—vehicles. -

In its largest ever better agreement GKN is taking the vehicles in full payment for the recently announced £40m deal . to supervise the expansion and modernization of a drop forging. plant for the automotive industry at Ludwigsfelde. Mr Cecil Parkinson, Minister

of State at the Department of Trade, broke the news of the deal at the Leipzig Trade Fair less month bur gave no details of the barter arrangements. He also revealed that British companies were negonating a further 14 East German con-

tracts worth £750m and had high bopes of winning several A GKN spokesman said last night: "The compensation trading agreement calls for us to undertake the marketing of East German vehicles over a 10-year period to cover the full cost of the 584m deal.

"Our marketing people are looking that the best methods of doing this. I imagine that they will be sold overseas making use of our international trading network."

A European motor industry executive said: "GKN has upset a lot of commercial vehicle people with this deal. It has always insisted that it would never to into the complete would put it into direct competi-

while the pound was 0.572596. restructure entstanding debts. PRICE CHANGES

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Prepacked products force 'worlds biggest fishmonger' to shut up shop."

MacFisheries frozen out of retail market

fishmonger, is to cease its High Street retailing operations at the end of this year. A spokesman for Unilever, which owns the lossmaking chain of wet fish shops; said it was "the end of an era". Today, only 55 MacFisheries' shops remain in the United Kingdom, compared with more than 400 in the years immediately after the Second World War. But faced with mounting losses totalling hout fim in the last three years, Unilever said it had no option but to shut up shop.

The demise of MacFisheries has been caused nor by a lack of demand for fish out by rapidly changing economic and social conditions. Distribution of what is a highly perishable commodity has always been difficult, but since the 1960s and the arrival of the supermarket and the deepfreeze, the wet fish trade has been steadily croded by the prepacked, frozen

Ironically, while closing its shops, Mac Fisheries said it would continue to

product.

wholesale business which is largely geared threat speed by the new retailing tech-to the supply of processed fish—in such inques and in 1964 formed MacMarkers, a products as fish tingers or fish cakes—to Supermarket chains.

The company said yesterday that the last of its shops will close during the last three months of this year. A total of 550 employees will be made redundant, but the company said that a number of separate transactions for the properties would be involved and there could be retraining opportunities for "suitable MacFisheries" employees."

macrisoeres' employees.

The concept of a national chain of fish, shops was conceived in 1918 by the first Lord Leverhulme. He had bought the island of Lewis and part of Harris in the Outer Hebrides—originally to retire to—and saw the opportunity for selling fish caught by the crofters. The first shop was opened in England the following year and the chain was established with the and the chain was established with the purchase of fishmongers throughout the

In the 1960s MacFisheries realized the supermarker operation, as a subsidiary.

The final blow to MacFisheries came last year when Unilever, always a manufacturer

rather than a retailer, agreed to a merger hetween. MacMarkets and International Stores, owned by BAT Industries.

The nierger was the result of "intense composition in the retail gracery industry resulting in abnormally low profitability", said Unilever, but, would strengthen the iriding position with "an improved store profile".

MacFisheries, however, was left danger ously exposed at a time when it appeared to have little chance of being profitable on its own. By the end of 1979, there were only 100 shops left, half the total of three years earlier. Yesterday, Unitered said that after providing for closure costs, it expected disposal of the last MatFisheries outlets to bring in 17.50.

Edward Townsend

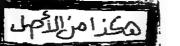
Steel unions will press for early MacGregor meeting

conference, Sir Keith said: "I have to say—without any denigration or imputation of the abilities of British industrialists that we consider this man is an outstanding businessman by world standards, according to my judg-

preferréd a British chairman to have been appointed, an tin-repentant Sir, Keith said that an even higher fee could be justified to pull BSC round into a competitive and healthy or

problems of the world steel in-dustry. Mr MacGregor can be expected to settle quickly into his job as a deputy chairman Steel industry union leaders will be pressing for an early meeting with the chairman-designate. Last night the main steel union the Iron and Steel Trades Confederation, outlined us agenda : a fresh start, a new chief executive to replace Mr . Robert Scholey, a rethink of BSC's plans to close plants and cut 50,000 jobs

"The degree of co-operation Describing Mr MacGregor as Mr MacGregor receives will dea man of enormous stamina, pend on the degree by which he Sir Keith said that he had requested that there would be credited leadership's bankrupt the minimum of Government policies" the union said. "We must a strong and expanding the strong the corporation when Mr Mac British steel industry and we Gregor assumes the chairman shall work with anyone who will fight for this,"





"The decade ended on a high note, with premium income, bonuses to policyholders, and profits from our general business all substantially increased."

DESMOND E. LONGE MCDL CHAIRMAN NORWICH UNION INSURANCE GROUP

Protection for Life Policyholders

With increased annual bonus rates and a special bonus declared for 1979 we can claim, to have protected our longer term individual and pensions policyholders from the effects of Inflation - even ignoring tax relief on premiums.

During the year £220m. new money was invested on behalf of the United Kingdom Life policyholders: £90m. in Government stocks; £53m. in ordinary shares and £51m. in real estate.

Once again, our increase in new annual premiums in the United Kingdom, at 21 per cent, exceeded the market average and this after a really exceptional performance in 1978. Our overseas new premiums, measured in Sterling, expanded by 9 per cent, but the figure would have been 17 per cent at constant rates of

Five Years of Underwriting Profits

For the fifth consecutive year the Fire Society has produced an underwriting profit—though modest in size it is a commendable achievement when viewed against the performance of the market generally. This £2.6m., when added to a 38 per cent increase in investment income is reflected in a record pre-tax profit of £36m.

Results from the Home Accident and Motor Accounts continued to be satisfactory though Personal and Fire business was adversely affected by severe weather conditions. While there was a welcome improvement in Holland, results in Europe were again disappointing.

A net dividend of £8.8m. has been paid to the Life Society, and free reserves have been strengthened by £12m. from retained profits. Our financial base remains strong, but in an inflationary era anything less than record profits erodes solvency margins.

Summary of Group Results for 1979

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LIFE TOTAL PREMIUMS: Annual Single	1979 £m. 260.0 38.8	1978 £m. 221.8 40.7
	298.8	262.5
New Annual Premiums	64.8	54.4
Surplus available for distribution (including £41m, transferred from investment reserve in 1979)	112.4	63.0
COST OF BONUSES: Armual Special	59.6 38.2	46.6
GENERAL.		
PREMIUMS WRITTEN	198:5	154.4
Underwriting Profit Investment Income Share of Associated Companies profits Expenses not charged to other accounts	2.6 32.5 3.4 (2.2)	1.6 23.6 4.1 {1.2}
PROFIT BEFORE TAXATION Taxation	36.3 (15.1)	28.1 (12.4)
NET PROFIT Dividends	21.2 8.8	15.7 6.3
RETAINED PROFITS	12.4	9.4
GROUPASSETS	3,031.0	2,623.0
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Banking

Norwich General Trust had an excellent year, granting 425 loans to commercial and industrial companies and increasing pre-tax profits by 47 per cent. The net dividend paid to the Life Society amounted to £1.5m.

AP Bank, whose international trade finance and foreign exchange facilities continued in good demand, had a satisfactory year and paid a net dividend of £0.8m.

Norwich Winterthur

During 1979 our joint venture with Winterthur Swiss and Chiyoda of Japan continued to develop satisfactorily, with the Fire Society's 45 per cent share of the profits amounting to £2.3m.

Staffing

Against the background of an ever growing number of Life and Fire Society policyholders, our staff in the Home organisation increased by 5 per cent during the year to 8,083, though the expense ratios of both Societies were reduced.

We are in business to take risks, but the extreme uncertainties of today make our business infinitely more difficult. I readily acknowledge the support and enthusiasm of all those who have contributed to our success and who, like me, are determined that it should continue.



FINANCIAL NEWS

Stock markets

Oils lead buoyant trading

After a cautious opening, when the equity market drifted downwards for a hour or so, pace for the other sectors throughout the rest of the day. The influence of Wall Street's rally the previous night helped sentiment, pushing the market up for the fourth day running.

Analysts are disagreeing with the view taken by W. H. Smith of a recovery, this year, in the newspaper and book wholesaling divisions following recent disappointing figures. Continu-ing production losses by most newspapers throughout the country has meant earlier profit forecasts of £23m downgraded to £18m. The shares were unchanged at 142p yesterday.

their recent good run quieter in the morning with the news of the rise in German interest rates. But dealers reported more business after lunch as buyers came in before the wekend, wondering if there would be a new tap issue.

The continuing fall in United States prime rates also genera-ted interest; with the result that longs, which were f; up at noon, finished between f; and f; better throughout the list. Shorts, which were quieter all day, saw a flurry at the end as investors saw how the rest of the market had performed, and they closed from an accordance of the same of with variables Eg improved on

Company results also provided some laterest in equities and the FT Index closed at 443.2, up 2.8, having climbed steadily during the afternoon. Most of the leading industrial ocks were firm, showing gains of a couple of pence. Unilever was one exception as it climbed 6p to 421p, and BAT Industries, which published its results on

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Wednesday, advanced by the same amount to 251p, ICI at 368p, and Glaxo at 200p, were activity picked up on the oils 2p better while Fisons at 285p, pitch onec again and set the and Beecham at 119p were 1p up. Buyers came in for Dunlop, although turnover was small and it finished 2p better at 60p. Courtaulds, which is due to announce its results and a main-once tained dividend this month went have

ahead by 1p to 69p. Higher profits were good for Hunting Gibson, which went from 91p to 105p while Davies & Newman celebrated better profits and a sharehandout to gain 15p to 131p. Henry Boot responded to a return to profits and an improved dividend by gaining 28p to 145p. But in buildings, Wimpey dipped 3p to 701p with lower-than-expected earnings, whereas Aberdeen Construction gained by the same profits. A loss and no dividend amount to reach 94p with better

cut Martin-Black 2p to 15p.

Investment interest pushed Sotheby's up 7p to 435p while European Ferries' property dest in Denver added 71p to the price at 130p. Waring & Gillow advanced 1p to 11p following Maple's repection of its improved offer but Maple, which is awaiting a new bid from another group, was from another group, was better than Waring's company unchanged at 351p; 1p better than Waring's new offer price. S. Pearson's bid saw Fairey's

price shed 2p to 206p. Trade was bubbling on the olls pitch with Lasmo responding o a bullish annual report by moving up 18p to 571p, and Ultramar with results due next week made the running by gaining 20p to 672p. Burmah gained 6p to 208p after lagging behind the other stocks for a few days.

Latest results

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Dividends in this table are shown net of tax on pence per share. Elsewhere in Business News dividends are shown on a gross basis. To establish gross multiply net dividend by 1.428. Profits are shown pre-tax and earnings are net. *=loss. †=estimate. ‡=includes special of 1.5 paid in 1979.

Rumours over the issue of the seventh round of North Sea licences September generated national interest and kept prices firm, although dealers believe that prices are probably near their peak. Carless Capel was still bene-fiting from its Hampshire drill-

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ing and rose 7p to 131p with Candecca advancing 11p to 140p Newcomer Pict Petroleum, which came to the market a 300p, finished at 360p. It was traded in without prior Stock

Exchange consent. Rumours of a cut in MLR next week turned attention once more to properties which have attracted attention all have attracted attention all week. But although prices were firmer, dealers regarded the session more as one of consolidation than of real progress. It was the absence of sellin which left prices mostly higgher at the close, as in the case of MEPC at 214p, Land Securities at 335p and Gt Portland at 245p — all 1p higher.

Tunnel Holdings vesterday ve time the second of a rift between the hoard and its biggest shareholder, Thos. W. Ward, with 29.9 per cent of voting rights, over the sale of one of its Scottish subsidiaries. However, a spokesman for Tunnel admitted that the directors were currently discussing proposals for restructuring the group. The shares rose 4p to 208p.

In banks, the recent grop of good figures among discount houses again drew support. Observers are now predicting that the worst may be over, especially if MLR is reduced soon. As a result, the whole sec tor may come in for some long awaited re-rating. Jessel Toyn-bee up 2p to 72p was one such share to benefit from recent good figures, as was Smith St Aubyn, 8p ebtter at a new high of 130p. However, it was Ger-rard & National which benefi-ted most from recent full-year ted most from recent full-year figures, climbing 8p to 232p. Nevertheless, all the talk on MLR did little for the clearing banks, where Midland slipped 2p to 336p, along with Nat West at 326p while Barcleys remained unchanged at 421p and Lloyds improved 1p to 291p.

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Year's

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Hunting Gibson shares hit peak

By Peter Wainwright .
No company has responde so strongly to the upturn shipping as Hunting Gibse and yesterday's 1979 figur were good enough to send the shares climbing 150 to 1000. shares climbing 15p to 106p, new peak for the year and we away from tide 1980 low

70p.
The immediate reason the decision to pay a final di dend of 3p a share, maki 4.50p net or 6.43p gross, le: ing the previous year's 1.28p the shade.

It is a payment Hunting c well afford. It only absor E350,000. Profits attributable ordinary shareholders were high as E2.28m.

The big about-turns came shipowning and ship mana

the big about-turns came shipowning and ship mana ment (from losses of £572,0 to profits of £230,000 on smaller business) and in sioil and air-broking where pro soared from £690,000 to £1.20 Industrial painting alm marked time at £316,000. I ally, up went Hunting's shof profits in associates (it 30 per cent of Hunting Pe leum Services) from £849,

to_£1.19m. Hunting rid itself of a n stone when it sold MV T Bridge last August, but trac recovery will presumably more sedate from now on. H ing describes the latest pro as "somewhere near acc able". In 1974 pre-tax pre got as high as £3.5m.

Second-half boost for Newarthill

By Peter Wilson-Smith Civil engineering and perty group, Newarthill n up the ground lost in the half due to bad weather finish the year to Octobe with profits up by 8 per to £10m. Second-half pr were over a quarter his after a 5 per cent drop at interim stage.

interim stage, Newarthill, which own Sir Robert MacAlpine cons tion companies and is contr by the McAlpine family, is ing a dividend of 8.570 a compared with 7.61p in 197 The dividend has been r. despite a fall in attribu profits due to a higher charge. Tex took £5.63m ag

£4.55m in the preceding ye As a result, carnings share were 8 per cent low 25.3p. However, the net dend was still covered a than four times. Group turnover in 19

was 11 per cent higher at £: At 205p, Newarthill st yield 3.4 per cent and the ratio on stated carnings is

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"The Company enters the 1980's in sound financial condition"

Mr. D. M. C. Donald, Chairman

In his annual statement published wish the accounts for the year ended 31st December 1979, Mr. D. M. C. Donald, Chairman, refers to the surplus capacity in international reinsurance markets, Although 1979 had its share of substantial losses, the absence of major disasters coupled with continuing inflation and high interest rates combined to encourage some companies to write for premium income rather than underwriting profit, thus depressing premium rates and making it more difficult for reinsurers to accumulate the reserves necessary to provide the complete security. which insurers need and expect.

At home the abolition of exchange control restrictions was welcome but the relief remains incomplete whilst the governments of the countries with which we trade continue to restrict the free flow of funds across national frontiers, so essential to the efficiency of an international reinsurance service.

Whilst the energy crisis, which was of such concern a year ago, has eased, the very significant increases in the price of oil have affected national economics throughout the world and accelerated recession. Particularly worrying has been the continuing weakness of the U.S. economy. This, and the further strengthening of Sterling against most foreign currencies, has had the effect of obscuring the real growth of our business, of which approximately twothirds emanates from overseas.

Turning to the Group results General Branch premium income net of retrocession for 1979 amounted to £135 million, showing a decrease of 3% reflecting the strength of Sterling in relation to our overseas production. Life and Annuity and Continuous Disability premium income of the Group, net of retrocession, increased by 13%. The non-Life underwriting transfers showed a deteriorating trend which was offset by a substantial increase in investment

The Group accounts demonstrate the further strengthening of our financial position which will enable us to take advantage of new opportunities as and when they occur. The contribution from our Subsidiaries of £1.8 million after tax represents an encouraging increase of 27% over the previous year. £,5.4 million has been transferred to general reserve and the Group profits carried forward amount to £9.4

New Life sums reassured of just over £3,000 million were written by the Group, producing new annual premium income of £14.4 million, representing increases of 18% and 12% respectively over the 1978 figures. The United Kingdom continues to be the largest single Life market for the Group, accounting for nearly half the total production. Elsewhere, encouraging growth has been shown in Canada and South Africa but production in Australia has been static, reflecting the state of the Life Assurance industry there. In the U.S.A. our expansion in the Life field continues with production nearly double that for the previous year.

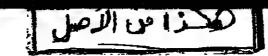
The Chairman then refers to the Group's Investment Portfolio where in the U.K. investment in fixed interest stocks has been increased and, as a result, investment income improved by some 33%. It would seem that high interest rates will be with us for some time but we are looking for substantial appreciation in the fixed interest portfolio in the coming year as the cconomy slows down and interest rates decline.

The Chairman concludes: "The Company enters the 1980's in sound financial condition from which position we face with confidence the difficult years which we are sure lie ahead." Against this background a final dividend of £1 million is recommended bringing the total for the year to La million, an increase of 3300



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Controlling silver after Bunker Hunt

Only a few weeks after recovering from the hammer blow of the Hunz brothers' indebtedness, the silver market has received another serback. Yesterday's slide in prices reflected dismay not just at remarks by Mr Paul Volcker, chairman of the Federal' Reserve, and by Mr James Stone, chairman of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, but also at the prospect of the Hunt camp unloading yet more silver.

That should be enough to keep prices depressed and trading at a low ebb for some

Both Mr Volcker and Mr Stone strongly. urged that the United States futures market should be even more tightly regulated than they are at the moment. And already the CFTC has taken the first steps in disciplining foreign operators by banning a Swiss Bank, which had refused to disclose information about its silver dealings, from trading in the United States commodities markets:

Some brokers argue that a demoralized market could well be destroyed by too stiff rules on margins, position sizes, and bank financing. While this is probably an exaggeration, the evidence from recent trading in silver suggests that smaller investors have been scared away.

Tougher financial requirements are unlikely to bring them back, at least not until the outlook is much more enticing.

But changes either in the law or in the enforcement of existing powers held by the United States authorities will take time to produce results. Equally, they have no direct hearing on the London market, which under the watchful eves of the Bank of Englandand its own policing mechanism seems to be better behaved.

What is depressing investors and the market at present is the threat of unspecified but considerable amounts of silver being sold, as the Hunts try to liquidate debts still put at as much as \$1,000m. .

The present arrangements are that a consortium of American banks has lent a Hunt company, Placid Oil, about \$1,000m with which the brothers can restructure their. debts. But it is unclear whether this means. that physical silver will be released, and ifso, how much. An additional worry is that the very high interest rates being charged on the loans to the Hunts could prove unsustainable, thus precipitating another

The irony is that those banks which, not without arm twisting by the United States authorities, are putting up the funds for the Hunts, could find themselves in the same dilemma as their clients did six weeks ago: trying to sell silver into a weakening market which their sales are exacerbating. Faced with such uncertainty, even big investors are staying out of the market.

But there is a silver lining. Yesterday's. London Metal Exchange closing cash price for silver showed a fall of 54p an ounce to 546.5p. The trend was echoed in New York. where futures prices fell by their permitted maximums. Although these levels are \$4 or 55 an ounce above those of a year ago, they are lower than big industrial buyers had anticipated.

Such buying as the market is seeing is therefore from industrial users of silver. Further weakness could tempt back a few large speculators prepared to take a long-view. But until the news from the United States is clearer, silver is likely to stay depressed and quiet.

Commodity ructions are nothing new but in the end of the day they undermine confidence. The United States markets can take the silver upset in their stride but they could. do well to remember the way the Paris markets were destroyed following the white sugar scandal a few years ago.

George Wimpey Looking through

a disappointing year Despite a strong recovery in operating

profits after the weather-hit first-half George Wimpey has finished the year with a pretax profits fall of almost £10m at £47.3m.

The market, expecting around £50m did not take that kindly, but it was more dis-appointed by the dividend news. Although payments, including a retrospective special distribution for 1978 have effectively increased five-fold since the reconstruction, Wimpey could have done better than total 1979 payments of 3.2p gross-more than seven times covered on stated earnings.

On the profits front, disappointment was due partly to the interest rate squeeze-

Peter Prior and Garty Hawkes

terday in more convivial cir-cumstances than might be

expected.

expected.

Prior is the chairman of Bulmers Cider and Hawkes the managing director of contract caterers Gardner Merchant. Gardner Merchant is part of the THF hotels group, whose bors are noticeably reluctant to sell Bulmers ciders, preferring the Coates Garmers Whiteways products of their sometimes shareholder. Allied Breweries.

Nonetheless, here was Prior

Nonetheless, here was Prior and there was Hawkee—and me— the Bulmers chairman having agreed to help Hawkes judge

Gardner Merchant's annual award for a paper on catering.
The winning paper this year
came from Gerry Shipley, prin-

cipal administration assistant to

thought we liked the sound of it. "Rather like battery hens",

It turned out to be the idea

Prior said.

interest costs more than doubled to £12.6m -and Wimpey's caution in not including profits on contract and housing work which it feels is not sufficiently advanced due to bad weather delays.

Given the current outlook in both hous ing and contracting Wimpey will presum ably be grateful for this delayed flow in the current year. At the moment much depends on the interest rate picture and the effect this will have on the all-important mortgage scene. Wimpey plans to maintain building at the 11,000 homes mark and hopes the mortgage outlook improvesalthough at the bottom end of the market the group is finding the going easier than

Even so the outlook for the current year is unexciting with best hopes for a recovery to £52m. Longer-term of course, Wimpey i an interesting prospect. Without the aid of revaluations the property portfolio in this year's accounts will be significantly last year's £39m and rental income should be sharply higher than the 1978 total of £2.9m.

Last year's rise in interest costs was largely as a result of the group's heavy investment in land for housing, commercial and industrial property all of it with big eve on the stock relief provisions. Significantly tax and interest costs together rose ordy £1.2m to £19.2m.

Wimpey's shares, down another 3p to 70 p, now yield 4.6 per cent and sell on 4 times earnings rising to just under eight fully-taxed, which adequately reflects the market's fears about short-term

But it may not be many months before the locked-up potential on the property side is more fully recognized and the shares could then start to recover lest ground.

• There has been an increasing amount of talk recently of MLR being lowered in the near future. The market has latched on to the precipitous fall in dollar interest rates the casing of the longer period rates in the United Kyigdom money markets and suggestions that ministers may be responding to pressure from industry for a quick cut in interest yates.

There has even been talk that next week's April banking figures hay be good enough to justify an early cut in MLR. We shall see. Those who try and predict that rates will or will not fall on any particular date generally finish up with their heads lopped. off, but unless political pressures for a cul in MLR are considerably greater than seems apparent, then a cut in the rate before June or July would seem premature.

For a start the bank lending figures and other economic indicators need to be totally convincing. Secondly, there is still a east amount of mency market." help" to be unwound: Thirdly it would be surprising those responsible for government funding would welcome an early cut in MLR. Far better to get two bites at the cherry, selling a first tranche of gilts on the back of market expectations, followed by a second tranche on the back of the reality of falling rates.

Fairey Pearson's

prize

Hambros's initiative in making an unsolicited hid for Fairey and thus forcing some action out of the NEB on the sale of the company, has ended with a bitter defeat for the bank. Pearson's \$24m offer has won the day. It was high enough to knock our offer potenwas high enough in knock our other potential bidders and the only other actual one, Hambros, which was talking about a package worth £23m yesterday morning. The NEB, though wanted bids on the table, and Hambros's first light offer of £20,5m was clearly outclassed by Pearson's.

So the taxpayer's interest has been satis-fied. Whether the company's best interests (the other condition which the NEB had to satisfy itself about) have been achieved will continue to be a matter of debate.

Certainly Hambros and the management of Fairey believed at the Suiset that the company should remain independent and that the Hambros offer of an institutionally. based bid with a view to returning Fairey. to the market in a couple of years was attractive. Perhaps, though, the NEB thought that further period of uncertainty for the company and its employees was not in its best interests. Anyway, Pearson has added a substantial new engineering arm and paid around 8 times forecast earnings

Adrienne Gleeson

Television contractors: the case for change

fears about falling Despite fears about falling advertising reconucs and about the impact on profitability of subscriptions to the fourth tele-vision channel (which is due to start broadcasting in 1982), there is unlikely to be any shortage of candidates for new Broadcasting Authority (IBA) closes its lists to potential applicants on May

In addition to the 14 companies operating as television contractors which can be expected to fight tooth and nail to keep their business). The leastanother 20 consortia are believed to have applied to run the 17 television aris and the projected breakfast channel. Most of them are going to be disappointed.

For just as, in reshaping the For just as in reshaping the television areas earlier this year, the IBA made very few changes—apart from the introduction of two more dual regions (Midlands and Southern), and a promise to "consider" a breakfast programme—so there are now fears that they will also play for safety when it comes to allocating the contracts, and oot for the estabcontracts, and opt for the estab-lished companies.

The established companies

The established companies, have all, proved that they can run a, network—tven, though, their manner of running it might leave something to be desired. The newcomers have, by definition, money and enthusiusm to offer—but, in most cases, relatively little in the way of experience.

It is not even as though there are companies around which lost their contracts in the last round of licence negotiations in 1968 and having learnt humility in the meantime are raring to get back into this market. Only one—Television Wales and West—was pushed out of the business altogether; and that ended up as a cash rich shell company when the fals. company rather than a fele-vision contractor manque.

However, if the arguments for experience prevail this time they can be expected to prevail. to eternity; and under these circumstances—et least insofar as the existing channels are concerned—the IBA might as well

INDEPENDENT TELEVISION CONTRACTORS: PROFITABILITY 32.6 Company Anglia TV House construction Films, records. -45:4 31/3/1979 property .. Loss 228,500 28/2/1979 Grampian TV Book and music Granada Gro 30/9/1979 publishing, cinema motorway services, TV renta Fine art dealers 31/7/1979 HTV Group Book publishers, tour +16.9 . **29.**8 ndependent radio. - 57.7 31712/1979 1.718 -- 15 --Property leasing -12.329/7/1979 -18.5Thames TV ÷ 19.5 .22.9 +32.3 cent in 31/7/1979 -12,9 with EMI). It Yorkshire.

Not that it will. The consequences for programme quality are altogether too well retual monopoly might appear annactive in theory, the finan-cial consequences, too, could be tracting companies and their shareholders.

For it would be hard for them to justify the handsome remrns they make from their monopoly at the moment of that

A license to operate as an in-dependent relevision contractor is no longer, as it, was in the days of the first Lord Thomson, "a licence to print money?. But days of the first Lord. Inomson,
"a licence to print money?. But
it is still a very profitable business. These independent relevision companies reporting daring 1979 almost all came up with
pre-tax profits which represented a return on shareholders
funds of over 20 per cent: and
two of them—HTV and London
Weckend—made 'a return of Weckend-made a return of more than 30 per cent

The next sets of figures are unlikely to be as good, because of the 10-weeks' technician's strike which blacked out television screens last autumn, and which, it is estimated, cost the contractors 190m.

All the same, with advertising that had been held over during the strike packing the schedules in its aftermath, and rates bumped up thereafter (by as

of Thames), it has since become obvious that the £20m which the companies thought they might sirike was an under-estimate.

But there are two problems facing the contractors which will almost certainly mean reduced profitability over the next three years. In the first place, a decline in consumer spending is likely to mean reduced adversing revenue: in the second, they are expected to fund the initial costs of the

The effects of a decline in advertising spending emerged very plainty during the 1974-75 recession, when most of the independent television contracmrs suffered a sharp sethack in profits. However, only one— Grampian, the profitability of which has always been re-Jarively precarious ectually west into the red, and all of them recovered with remark-

the first year's operations is to be split between the contractors, rougly in proportion to their rents-which means that the London weekday channel be paying the most, with the North-west and the Midlands not far bekind. This will be a direct charge on revenue: but it can be offset against the television levy, which will be

reduced in consequence. So although the Government's take will certainly decline, the return to shareholders will be less affected, if at all it is for these reasons that two sets of stockbrokers Vickers de Costa, and Keith Sykes of W. Green-well—have recently come up with the opinion that while the short-term, outlook for the television contractors may be none too brilliant on anything than a two-year shares are distinctly

The exceedingly handsome able speed.

Profits for 1975.76 were in tractors make whe ntimes are simpler than good (and the respectable they had been two years earlier. returns that they make even be a strong case, for so although profits may do when things are less buoyant) little more than mark time this can be traced to one cause, and year and will probably dip in one cause only; the fact that tainty but lower 1981-82, there is at any rate they have monopoly access to a strong probability that they television advertisers, which will recover thereafter.

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The monopoly induces intertoos action to satisfy anyone. profits which television conon advertisers, which worse television, and independent channel. A decision in favour of the group of nothing to existing contractors might be a breakfast safe in the short-term. In the

mittent rage in the advortisers (as when the contractors put up their rotes in the aftermath of the strike, even though they had not regained control of the ratings). It also induces interest in the Government So Mr White ?s

Whitelaw, the Home Secretary. Whitelaw, the Home Secretary, announced recently that both he and Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, were "firmly of the view that the public should share in the profitability of the exploitation of a public monopoly "—though should be encouraged to be cost conscious, and expressed cost conscious, and expressed anxiety about the high marginal rate of tax which the present system of levy together with corporation tax produced.

Te public's share is at present taken in three forms. First there is the rental charge, which is nominally for the use of the transmitters, but in fact is determined that is determined not by use of the air waves but by the profitobility of the companies: these rental charges have recently been substantially increased.

In the second place there is the television levy, which is directly determined by profit. ; and finally there is the

corporation tax charge. According to the Independent Broadcasting Authority, five television contractors receive go to the Government in the shape of levy and tax. If that still leaves their shareholders with a handsome return on the capital they can be argued that this is no more than a just return for investment in what is otentially a rapidly wasting asset-the fran-

If, however, the franchise is to he granted—overtly or de facto—in perpetuity to its present operator, there is going to be a strong case, for an increase in the levy. For shareholders, the result would be greater cer-tainty but lower profits. For audiences the result would be

Technology -

When international tension means high profits

tal name of British Manufacture, Association confirms in its & Research exported almost exactly 90 per cent of its output. A good example of this is in 1978-79. A company with the A good example of this is incomprehensible mame of the £200m contract for final

On export performance these chea the world is in b It is doing well now.

exported 83.4 per cent.

British Manufacture & Research makes ammunition and armaments and is owned by Oerlikon of Switzerland. Easams (originally Elliott Automation Space and Advanced Military Systems and now a part of GEC) does not make anything but offers operational research, systems design and project management services. International Aeradio, owned by British Airways, supplies both hardware and consultancy services in communications and aviation.

The export performance of these three is remarkable but the average for the industry (60 companies are covered in the ICC analysis) is pretty good, also—to wit, 38 per cent. Among the other companies in the busi-ness are maky of the better known electronics names, for whom the most advanced tech-nology often appears first in military systems and later finds its way into civil markets. its way into civil markets.

For the capital electronics industry as a whole (civil as well as military) the Ministry of Defence is the largest single customer. ** Defence requirements and development provide much of the impetus for advanced technology in this sector.**

annual report for 1979.

Easams exported almost exactly development and initial produc-85 per cent. And a company non of the Sting Ray anti-with the ambiguous name of submarine torpedo, placed international Aeradio, or IAL, sowards the end of last year towards the end of last year with Marconi Space and Defence Systems (MSDS). "Torpedo" On export performance these Systems (MSDS). "Torpedo" is not really the best word to describe Sting Ray; it is a defence equipment industry, an industry which tends to do well when the world is in had shape.

In this project the defence research benefit is spread over a number of companies—MSDS for the guidance computer, Marcoei Avionics for other parts of the shidance system, Sperry Gyroscope for the steering, Chloride for a highly potent electric battery, Lucas Aerospace for propulsion electric motors and Plessey for large-scale-integration (LSI) combuter memories. Experience gained in writing the software for the Sting Ray

control system is expected to help GEC (Marconi's parent organization) in applying computerized control to industrial processes. Plessey, too, envisages a commercial spin-off from the low-power-consumption ion memory microcircuits In radar equipment, also, there is much sharing of technology between civil systems for air traffic control and milifor air traffic countel and mills tary systems for marring of the Civit Aviation Authority to place a large forth-coming radar countert with a foreign company, in preference to a joint bid by GEC-Marconi and Plessey, is jeopardizing the British companies' prospects in competitions for substantial

A company with the noncommit, the Electronic Engineering Natoradar orders, the two firms are arguing.
This point was echoed last night, on the general point of principle involved, by Mr John Sutherland, president of the Electronic Engineering Associa-

tion. His industry, he told the association's annual dinner in London, contributed about £139m to Britain's balance of from sales of over Returning to the IGC report no the defence equipment industry, Easems and EMI Elec-tronics lead the list in terms of

return on capital, each showing over 100 per cent for profit/capital employed. In profitability related to total assets, also, EMI Electronics lies second, this time to Pains-Wessex pyrotechnics). The profitability of each of these revisions each of these two companies is over 30 per cent, against an average for the industry of 12.8.

Recal Electronics, not unexpectedly, shows up well, with a profit margin on sales of about 27 per cent (andustry average, about ten per cent).
Sides and profits per employee are also good indicators, with Racal (E37,370 and £10,159) and TAL (£66,820 and £9,588) in the top two places £9,588) in the top two places. The industry average is £18,306 sales and £1,877 profit, per

Capital employed per em-ployee also is highest for these two companies, with IAL ar £24,651 and Racal at £23,612. The industry average here is £8.876.

S8.876.
The key to profitability seems to lie in the overseas markers the ICC report notes both for the ICC report notes both for large companies such as Mar-coni and Racal (which together account for 37 per cent of total pretax profits) and for small companies such as W. Vinten

(which makes reconnaissance; camera, film, and television

equipment).

The third largest detence

the list after Marconi and Racal is Ferranu. another bigh technology company with interests in naviga-tional systems, radar, lasers and various military instruments. EMI Electronics' performance, noted above, cord asts sherply with the civil 'X-ray scanner activities of loss-making-FMI Medical which, the parent

Third EMI asygounced earlier this week, are to be disposed of to General Electric (USA)... "The recent turnois in the world are good news for the defeace contractors", the ICC report comments. "This must. report comments. This must not be taken too far, as the recent experience in Iran highlights. Following the downfall of the Shah, Britain, was left with tents which were ordered when he was in power, not to mention Rapier anti-alteraft missiles.

"These dangers always exist in countries where the pelitical situation is suspect and they must be accepted by the defence eituation is suspect and they Defence equipment manufacturers must be accepted by the defence is published by ICC Business contractors. Defence spending Ratios, London; price £65).

western governments' minds and can be expected to increase in the near future in order to redress the balance of power. **But Mr J. Sutherland, of the EEA, sounds a warning for the future on behalf of his association's members. In the association's anoual report just published to 1070. lished he says: "Although 1979 was a good year for the capital electronics industry, we enter 1980 predicting a marked deterioration in trading pros-

pects following a general decline in the world economic

high level of the pound relative

is probably uppermost in most

to other world currencies. "Industrial problems during the year and inflation have further combined to damage future profitability and competitiveness. It will be virtually impossible to sustain the excellent export record this industry has established in the last decade or two."

Kenneth Owen

Brussels Registre du commerce nr 13.377

NOTICE to SHAREHOLDERS Shareholders are invited to attend the annual

General Meeting which will be held on Thursday-22nd May 1980, at 10:30 a.m. in the Office of the "Societé Générale de Belgique", 30 rue Royals,

AGENDA 1. Reports by the Board of Directors, the Auditing

Commission and the legal Auditor for the financial year 1979. Approval of the annual accounts closed as of December 31, 1979; distribution of the profit.

Discharge to be granted to the Directors and

4. Statutory appointments. In order to be admitted to this Meeting owners of bearer shares must deposit their shares not later than Friday 16th May, 1980, with anyone of the following

in France:

in Belgium:

Banque", in Brussels or any of its other offices and agencies. with "Banque Belge (France)", 12, rue Volney, 75002 – Paris.

in the Netherlands: with "Amsterdam-Rotterdam Bank' Herengracht 595, 1001 Amsterdam. Owners of bearer shares will be admitted to the

with "Société Générale de

Meeting on producing a statement from one of the above hanks mentioning the identity of the owner of the shares and certifying that the shares will remain deposited from 16th to 22nd May, 1980 included. Owners of registered shares must advise the Company not later than Friday 16th May, 1980, of their intention to attend the Meeting or to be

represented.

Proxies, conferred according to article 30 of the Articles of Association, must be deposited not later than Friday 16th May, 1980, at the Company's Registered Office, rue de la Chancellerie 1, Brussels,

Proxy forms are available to shareholders at the Company's Registered Office and also at the above-

The Board of Directors

Business Diary: Beware the platitude du jour



Garry Hawkes, Gerry Shipley and Peter Prior in London yesterday.

the Port of Eristol Authority, a Gardner Merchant client, who wrote on "The advantages of single status feeding."

I did not know what this was
and nor to begin with did
Prior—and neither of us

The idea was obviously music to the ears of Hawkes, whose organization provides

should allear the same things in the same place at work.

"The most obvious advantage of single status feeding." Shipley's paper saw, "is one of cost and efficiency." A big disadvantage of the same shipley is an advantage of the same shipley in an advantage of perks. where middle managers felt visitors were entertained, but heen to let people mingle secure and were well-paid and otherwise managers and mantherefore not icalous of perks aged alike used the same selfjected to eating with the penand enticiency. A one disease in the parties of waitressed canteen, pushers and that was that,

organization management and other ranks will so dislike each said, was no good if it was a served—although drinks can be said,

I took up this point with Hawkes Shipley, and Prior, to find that of the three only otherwise, for organizations as, Prior could point to single status diverse and at democratic, or feedings being in practice at

It turned out to be the idea diverse and as democratic, or assumed as company, that management and workers should alleat the same things should alleat the same things in the same place at work.

Hawkes suggested that single special diving room at Bulmers' that single special diving room at Bulmers' status feeding worked only Hereford headquarters; where

ing a long way towards single status feeding It too, had a separate dining

room for entertaining visitors, but this also patronised by top The authority had also declined to opened a new canteen at the introduced docks, where the intention had acquaintance.

each, so canteens were not feasible — most employees worked on clients premises Nonetheless, there is a dining room at the Croydon head-quarters for entertaining.

Prior's ignorance of single starus feeding did not debar him from being a judge: his credentials are his chairman-ship of the 1978 Committee of Inquiry into motorway service areas—of which THF is the largest operator in this country.

. In vain did I look for Clement Freud over the Scots salmon and Californian strawberries. I and Californian, strawpernes, i had been savouring the possibility of snubbing him for being so rude at the Japanese Embassy the other day when he declined to say hello when introduced by a mutual acquaintance.

Evidently he reserves his bon-homic for his risho programme, just a Minute.

According to Hawkes. Gardner Merchant has even forthed in an endote concerning Lord Goodner Merchant has even forthed in an, the capacious master of
to go along the single status
road. "Ninety per cent of our
office staff, have luncheon
vouchers", he said. "There are
veuding machines open to evry
body "Two-Dimers" by Private Eye.

Hawkes told me that he
invited the master to lunch
when successfully readering for body". "when successfully tendering for The reason was logistical in college's custom. "Hardly rather than philosophical, he are or drank a thing", Hawkes explained, The half dozen offices had between 15 and 20 staff. when successfully tendering for

Central bankers are renowned for their secretiveness and comover the eyes of those trying to find out what they are up to. But yesterday's amountement from the Governor of the West German central bank sets new records. Karl Otto Poehl told journalists that press conferences would no longer be called automatically when the bank had important announcements to make about its credit policy. Prior are at all 39 sites and This had led to embarassing manifestly survived. pressure in the past when it was not unreasonably assumed that if a press conference was called some interesting change in policy was likely to be an-nounced. From now on some credit policy decision will not be quiounced by press conference, while conversely press conferences will sometimes be convened when no decisions are to be announced "-



Foreign exchange report

With the Continent closed for the May Day holiday, trading in currency markets was very thin yesterday and rates were not really tested.

The pound fluctuated between \$2.2625 and \$2.2530 before ending at \$2.2600 against the dollar coveringht \$2.2535, while its trade weighted level improved to 72.9 from 72.6.

The United States dollar also moved narrowly throughout, unaffected in late trading by more cuts in prime rates by United With the Continent closed for States banks and President Carrer's

Sterling Spot and Forward



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Options

Others to find support included Imperial Group with 105 contracts and Land Securities on 81. The latest enthusiasm for oils directed some business towards the Shell July 360p series, where 107 contracts the firm conditions in the rest of the market continued to by-pass the traded options market yesterday where total contracts rose slightly from 498 to 538. were completed. In traditional options, the interest of earlier in the week fell away and dealers reported The closure of three of its only modest inquiry.

factories drew support to Calls were made in European Courtaulds where 113 contracts Ferries, Lourho and Thornwere reported. The shares are already regarded in some quarters as a cheap bet, options wish the July 70p series attracting most attention yes-

Wall Street

New York, May 1.—Stocks closed lower as the New York Stock Exchange index fell 0.42 to 59.94 and the average price per share 22 cents. Declines led advances 833 to 504.

The Dow Jones industrial average fell 8.27 to 808.79 as turnover quickened to 32,480,000 shares from 30,850,000 yesterday.

Analysts also cited some nervousness after news of a sharp tall in construction spending in March and further layoffs by car makers. New construction spending fell 5.8 per cent in March after a revised 2.8 per cent February drop. revised 2.8 per cent February drop.

The market has been cought between the buoyant effect of a rapid fall in short-term interest rates and fears the recession could prove harsh.

Yields fell sharply again in the credit market today and several more hig banks cut their prime rate to 18½ per cent.

Car, steel, defence, computer, oli, drug and some consumer goods issues retreated. General Motors lost 2 to 45½ and Ford Motors 1 to 23½. They both plan further temporary layoffs text week because of slack car sales.

McDonnell Douglas lost one to 28½. Analysis are revising lower their estimates of the company's 1980 profit. citing higher costs of its KC-10 tanker aircraft and other problems.

volume leader Exxon was un-changed at 502. Texaco lost \$ to 342. Mobil \$\frac{1}{2}\$ to 724, Superior Oil 12 to 145 and California Standard \$\frac{1}{4}\$ to 692.

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Henry Boot resumes dividend payments

Ry Catherine Gunn After three years of declining in a 13.7m loss last year, construction and engineering group Renty Boot made pre-tax profits of £2.23m in 1979. interim pre-tax profits were a mare £12,000—against an £35,000 loss in 1978—making 1979's second-half performance a record. Full-year sales rose from \$78m to £82m.

'It now looks as though fullrear profits in 1980 will at last exceed the £2.55m record established back in 1975. The final dividend has been restored at 14.30 gross, against nothing last year, and 9.95p gross in 1877, on the equivalent rax rate. With the shares at 145p, that gives a gross yield for the full 1979 year of 12.8 per cent. The shares' net asset backing now is estimated by brokers Messel at 340p minimum, adding in 95p of a now somewhat out-of-date estimated property surplus.

The profit recovery in 1979 came from a return to profits in the construction and civil cogneering division after at E4.7m loss in 1978.

Substantial and sufficient (but uadisclosed) provisions were made in 1978 against the divisions los-making local authority housing contracts. Some should not produce further oses. There may even be some clawback from the 1978 provi-

Agricultural machinery — safety cabs for tractors—made a similar loss to 1978's £365,000 hortfall. It is still making loses, and has done ever since its acquisition in 1977, when the loss was £79,000-

Most other divisions did well in 1979. The finance division, in 1979. The mance division, providing morrages advances, benefited, particularly from higher interest rates. The company eliminated its £288,000 operated in 1979 and in the last few mounts of the year actually had cash of between £11-2m sho carning interest, on denosit

Record year for D & N

By Philip Robinson

Dan-Air, the charter and scheduled airline operator which provides the bulk of profits for Davies & Newman Holdings, starts its first regular flight to Germany in ten days.

Although the service is ex-panding, Mr Frederick New-man, the chairman, said yesterday that the most important factor affecting the future is the possible erosion of profit margins from escalating fuel

Mr Wilfred Jones, financial director, said he could not pur a figure on just how much fuel went up last year, but said: "It was quite dramatic and there has already been an increase this year." The warning came as Davies

k Newman reported record figures for last year up from per cent higer at £129m. The results' beat market expectations and the shares rose 15p

to 131p. Shareholders get a 22 per cent dividend increase to 14.28p with a 9.8 final. D & N has also announced a one-for-six scrip issue to bring shareholders' funds more in line with working capital, Selling aircraft reduced the

£5m borrowings at the year end last December, keeping interest almost static at charges £748,000. But recent aircraft purchases, increasing the flect to 48 aircraft, of which five are Comets, will mean that borrowings will top £5m now and for 1980 are likely to be much higher.

A lower tax charge and an exceptional credit of £458,000. which the group had put by

pending two aircraft purchases last year, have lifted post-tax earnings from £1m to £3.5m. Retained profits came out at

Sm against £724.000 last time. Mr Newman said there had been steady growth of the business throughout the year and although general trading had continued to be uncertain, all main activities had improved.

Shipbroking, which accounts for about 10 per cent of profits, "continues to be active", he Mr Newman says that while

the full employment of the Dan Air fleet in the summer should form a sound basis, it is too early to forecast results for this year.

The group is still awaiting an explanation for the crash of a Boeing 727 in the Canary

Shiloh Spinners down 77 pc

Despite a rise in turnover G. C. Wailing and Mr R. S. turnover from £8.4m to £9.4m Needs. for the year to March 29, preta profits to Shiloh Spinners have acquired had profits before tax droped 77 per cent to £65,000. The fall was caused by increasing costs, high interest rates and the increasing flow of

Sharelholders are to colect a maintained dividend of 2.6p

The board says that the some of the worst trading conditions experienced by the industry.

Prospects for the immediate F. J. C. Lilley in future are not good, but with the recent reorganization and re-equipment programme, the company is well placed to take imediate advantage of any improvement in trade when it

Cope Allman in £2m purchase

Cope Aliman International is paying \$2.75m for East Anglian Enterprises and Bell-Fruit (East Anglia). The vendors are Mr

The two companies being acquired had profits before tax and extraordinary items of \$295,000 for the year to June 30. Their combined net assets were \$781,000 at that date. but are since estimated to have increased to about \$1m of which not less than \$500,000 is available in cash.

Management accounts indiresults were made during cate their current profitability some of the worst trading con- is running at about \$30,000 a

U.S. deal

F. J. C. Lilley has acquired 80 per cent of Harrison Western Corp of Denver, Colorado. a construction company operating principally in the mid-west of the United States.

Harrison's average pretax profits for the three years to December 31, 1979, were \$1.05m and its net assets at 1979 amounted to \$3.150m. On that assets basis, the conbut provision has been made for the adjustment of the purchase price with a maximum of 54.52m dependent on the receipt by Harrison of certain amounts whose recovery is under nego-

United Wine slips in first half

United Wire Group seports, turnover for the half year to March 29 at 57.562m against £6.652m, but a slip in pretax profits from £649,000 to profits from £549,000 to £534,000. Earnings a share are 4.0p against 3.5p, while the interim is held at 2.2p net. The fall in profits, which has

been particularly severe in the wire division, is due largely to the continuing strength of sterling On the other hand, the South African companies made a good contribution to the results and are expected to do equally well in the second half. This will help to compensater for the more difficult trading conditions which are expected in the United Kingdom during

the second half-year.

Mowlem manages to contain fall in profits

By Peter Wainwright The United Kingdom struction recession can hardly leave John Mowlem, the building and engineering group un-scathed, but it nearly did in the year to December 31, last Turnover actually rose from £163.68m to £190.22m, enough to keep pre-tax profits as high

as £5.72m against £5.92m. Indeed, Mowlem did better than some observers expected, given that turnover in the first six months only edged ahead, while pre-tax profits actually fell from £2.41m to £2.33m. Bad weather hit United Kingdom civil engineerin gin the first four months, but aspectively arter with the first four months. sociates were said to have gone ahead, pinpointing the growing importance of Middle East work and the computer bureau.

Mowlem has been dismissed as largely a United Kingdom contractor, but of the £190m turnover as much as £45m or so now arises abroad where Mowlem finds margins as good or better than at home.

Mowlem Engineering Products sends as much as 80 per cent of its business overseas, while another important subsidiary. Soil Mechanics, has nearly 70 per cent of its work

The tax charge of £1.77m (compared with £1.51m) is light—and light even among civil engineers. Last year, it was 31 per cent of taxable profits and it is understood that it will stay light this year too. It is apparently a question of where profits arise, and are

The upshot is that net profits fell modestly from £4.41m to 53.89m and any fall this year should again be small. The group contents itself with ex-pecting profits "similar" to

Meanwhile, the balance sheet is understood to remain ungeared with no net borrowings. Shareholders' funds are up to 214p a share. The shares duly rose 2p to 107p,

Cavenham asks for time

International

Diamond shareholders are due

to vote on a merger with

Brooks-Scanlon at a meeting on

May 12 and if that deal goes

through Cavenham's 5.9 per cent stake in Diamond will be

Wall Street analysts point out

that Cavenham has raised some

\$240m from planned asset sales.

here and has a further \$100m in liquid assets. It could there-

fore bid an attractive \$50 a

share for Diamond and hope to

win control. But it probably could not afford to buy control

of the enlarged group.

diluted by about a fifth. .

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Ca wenham Inc, the American arm of Sir James Goldsmith's empire which may bid for con-trol of Diamond International; an American timber and packaging company, today asked Diamond shareholders to give it time to present its case.

Earlier the Cavenham proach had been rebuffed by the Diamond management. In a letter to shareholders released yesterday its president. Mr. William Koslo, accused Cavenham or trying to "gain control for the lowest possible price". The proposed offer for the com-pany's stock was "nothing but an attempt to confuse out share-holders", be added.

Cavenham needs time because . Cavenham's letter reveals that

Hoechst world profits up 56pc for year 1980 data which quarter

Hoechst achieved world group net profits of DM650m (£155m) in 1979, up 56 per cent from DM417m in 1978, and parent company first quarter net profits of DM344m, up 30.3 per cent from a year before. Hoechst expects sales volume to rise by about 3 per cent in

to rise by about 3 per cent in 1980, which would enable the company again to achieve a reasonable result, Berr Rolf Sammet, managing board chair-

He told the annual press con-

Audi NSU Auto Union AG, the Volkswagen group subsidiary, reported after-tax profits up by 46.5 per cent to 83.5m marks last year from 57m in 1978.

Turnover rose to 5.17bn marks from 4.51bn and vehicle the first three months of 1980.

quarter of \$36.3m, or \$1.33 a share, against \$29.5mand \$1.08 a share a year earlier. Sales rose from \$895.6m. to

showed a far greater expansion over the year-ago period.

This was because first quarter 1979 was relatively weak and Hoechst prices weralower, he said. Parent company turnover in

the first quarter of 1980 was:
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increase on the 1979 period,
Herr Sammet said.
However, if that figure is
compared with the quarterly

average for 1979, the increase fernece that the company main-tained this view despite first terms 8.2 per cent, or in real

Audi profits 46 pc ahead

General Dynamics higher

production lines in the United forces of the United States, Boigrum, Denmark, The Nether-lands, Norway and Israel.

to the Brooks-Scanlon deal had been ignored. It was therefore forced to consider a bid to block the merger and protect its investment. It asks shareholders to delay approving the deal for three months to condeal for three months to consider Cavenham's alternative

proposals though it has not yet revealed what these will be. In documents filed with the Securities Exchange Commission today, Cavenham details its objections to the merger. This claims it would mean dilution of obth assets and earnings for Diomond and alleges that shareholders have not been fully in-formed about recent declines in carnings and plant closures which could lead to a halving of Brooks-Scanlon's profits.

Quaker Oats up

Quaker Oats reorted net pro-fits for the third quarter to March 31 of \$28.3m, or \$1.36 a: share, up from \$24.2m and \$1.16 a share a year earlier. Sales rose to \$620.8m from \$502.1m.

Quaker said the increased third quarter earnings refleted favourable performances in US grocery products. Fisher-Price toys and chemicals, and a \$5.6m pretax gain from foreign ex-

Wereldhave offshoot

Beleggingsmij Wereldhave has set up West World Holding, a real estate investment trust in the United States to combine its

interests there.
At the end of 1979 about 20 per cent of its total investments of 950m F1 (£203m) were in the United States.

Initially it will issue 6,500 shares et \$10,000 a share with subscriptions also open for third parties, but priority will be given to present Wereldhave shareholders, it said.

Marathon confident

Marathon Oil Co expects General Dynamics higher

General Dynamics Corp reported net profits for the first said the company had delivered, may not be as large as was quarter of \$36.3m, or \$1.33 a 164 F-16 fighter planes from achieved in the first quarter," Mr Harold D. Hoopman, president, told the annual meeting.

Pirst quarter profits announced earlier rose by 33 per

Loss at Martin-Black

based wire ropes manufacturer, to the end of the year after the bas reported a £445,000 loss for company had announced a loss bas reported a £445,000 loss for company had announced a loss the year to less December. This of £109,000 as against £244,000 compares with a pre-tax profit profit.
of £179,000 made previously. Shareholders had been warned.
After tax and addistments to that market conditions for the deferred tax which throws up company's products had been £476,000 in recoverable tax, net profit turns out at £31,000 mainst £132,000 previously. The dividend, which in the year to December 1978, shorbed £32,000, is now being passed.

The interim dividend had

company's products had been difficult. These conditions continued for the full year. The first quarter figures for the current year are sheed in terms of sales over the first quarter of 1979, which had been

Business appointments

Mr Bowring joins Marsh

& Co, has accepted an invitation to join the board of Marsh & McLeugan Companies as a nontrecutive director. Mr P. V. Olsen and Mr A. H. M. Kelsey have been admitted to the herizery have been sumitted to the permeasure of Kitcat & Aithen.

Mr A. M. Robertshaw has been sponsed to the board of Howard Shottering (Holdings).

Mr J. M. G. Bradney becomes

managing director of Boustead Commodities.

Mr George Palmer is now managing director of the LRC Profacts division of LRC Inter-

Mr J. M. Brady has been made charmen and managing director of Bristol-Myers Company, Mr Brady replaces Mr J. G. Keluwho is returning to the United Stacs, o ake up a senior position with the parent company.

Mr Eric Carter, deputy froup chief executive (international business) and a director of National Wesminster Bank, has been appointed to the board of its applinted to the board of is

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Thomas P. Frost, President of National Bank of North America, has assumed the additional duties of chief executive officer. Mr John H. Vogel, chief executive officer, will continue as chairman. Mr D. S. Ottway becomes managing director of Portals (Bath-

ford). Mr Peer Davis and Mr David Hyman have joined the boar dof Harris Queensway Group.
Mr Len Payne, director of distribution of J. Sainsbury, has been elected president of the Freight Transport Association. He succeeds Mr Malcolm Banks, group traffic manager of Little-

Messrs Philip Max Skelsey and Paul Anthony John Woods have become partners in Norton, Rose, Botterell & Roche. Mr John Milliam is to become the new United Kingdom sales director of Clark International Marketing materials handling

Mr John Barber has been made deputy chairman and Mr Anthony Good a director of John E. Will-shier & Co. Mr Yves Lamarche, cheirman

red to the board of Hill Samuel Group.
Mr Robert A Norman and Mr
George Preston join the London
advisory board of The Bank of

CONSUMER SPENDING The following are the first estimated figures for consumer expenditure

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CANCELL SOLD STATES

Tate & Lyle has reached agraement to sell to Rumenco the specialist animal feeds business of Tate & Lyle Feeds for about £375.000 in cash.

Thomas Tilling : Cash tender offer for Nynedis, of Santa Clara, Cal-forna, has laured. Fellowing in-creased offer, General Signal Cor-poration has announced institut acquishing of Negatics for about 1.4 million of its shorts became effective on April 30. affected by the transport strike.

Lontrim Group: Turnover for year ended December 3: 1979, 1795-367. Prems: profit 569-162. Company says that due to recent and savere downturn is demand from marine industry generally, company has made a loss in first three mounts

Weodhouse & Rizson (Hdgs): Chairman told annual meeting that company has come through steel board could have hoped for in January. Results for first four months are much more salisfatory and if current level of tradical is maintained future airidends should show an improvement.

poses scrip issue of three for one.
Dundonian: As conscieration for issue to Burma Mines and Planned Savings (Holdings) of 450,000 new shares Dundonian has enercised its option to acquire from Burma & P.S.H. 150,691 chares in South West Consolidated Minerals, And this company new becomes a wholly-owned subsidiary of Dra-denian. Burma now holds im Dundoman shares 19.09 per cents.

Thurgar Barden: Chairman told annual meeting that trading con-ditions continue to be difficult: but shows a small improvement over that for comparable period of

of Banque Arabe et Internationale Sennah Rubber: Protes profit for d'Investissement, has been appoint 1979 £307.906 (£393,796). Directed 40p gross (same).

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organishing Property Company's offer for Cardiff and Provincial Properties has closed. Acceptances in respect of 112,800 recoved in respect of 112,800 shares (23.87 per cent). Glarnergan and persons acting in correct new 345,735 shares (73.15 per Border Preveries (Wresham)

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Turboter for year to February 2. 1550. 500.4m (512.2m). Presay profit fam (5895.052). Final divi-dend 4.7p gross making 5.42p gross Sedgwick Group: We have been asked to make it clear that the aquisition the reported restorday by Sadowick Group of Backers Midlands and Bankart Northern in no way affects the business of the Nottingham-based company. G. &

J. E. Benkart, which has been an

independent company since 13.0.

Grand Metropolitae: In threes of a S445m moder effor for Ligant Group, has criticized United States drinks group for disclosing "conlidental information about volumes, profitability and other details " of its J & B Rare which to prospective puriesers of Lig-gen's Pachington succidery which handles distribution in United States. It has called on Liggett

First Castle Securities : dus to an egancy transmission arror, basis rights issue was shown on April 25 as 14cc-5 but in fact 1-1.7-4.

Copper prices will fall damag 1980. Copper prices with lat. Garing is an according to the latter forecast from Amelyameted Mats. Traditing. While production will tise by All part cent in 6.45m tradies. But because of a dappening depression communion of related copper is likely to fall by 7.4 per lent to fine tower. A further fall of 1.5 per cent is forecast for 251.

London and Manchester-a year of considerable achievement

Extracts from the statement by the Chairman, Mr H L K Browne, F.C.A., on the Group Report and Accounts for 1979

1979 was a year of considerable achievement in most of the Company's activities. In the Home Service Division. further records were established both in new business. production and in growth of premium income and very set-stactory progress was made in the development of the Pensions Division, The rate of interest earned on the Company's funds was again increased and enabled a larger rate of Ordinary Branch reversionary bonus to be declared. These results would not have been possible without the industry and determination of all those who work for us and I take this opportunity to express my appreciation to the staff for all they have done during the past year. I also thank my fellow Directors for their support and helpful advice during what, in many ways, has been a challenging

Mr. Dennis Baker, a Director and former General Manager of Welfare, who was appointed to the main Board in 1976, religiouished his appointments with the Group on 31st December, 1979 by mutual agreement. I would like to acknowledge his unstinting efforts, particularly in regard to Welfare Insurance over the past 5 years, and to wish him

well in his future career. I am pleased to report that Mr. Ian Henderson, M.A. F.I.A., has been appointed General Manager (Investments) and will be joining the Company before the date of the Annual General Meeting.

During 1979, and following discussions with the Union. the Company introduced a scheme to recognise the long service of full time employees, providing that recognition by way of a small block of Company shares purchased in the market by Trustees. Under the terms of the scheme an employee qualifies for an award of 100 fully paid shares at are end of 25 years' service, with further awards of 100 shares after the completion of 35 years' and 40 years' service. The first presentations were made in May and 110 members of the staff are now shareholders of the Company

as a result of this scheme. Our new Chief Office building at Winslade Park, Exeter has been honoured by the Royal Institute of British Architects in the presentation of the Architectural Award for the South West Region 1979. The award was one of only four given throughout the United Kingdom last year for outstanding examples of British architecture.

Ordinary Branch Following a particularly successful year in 1978 the Home Service Drussen achieved a 22 per cent increase in new annual premium production in 1979, establishing a new Company record for growth in premium income from this

In the Life Braker Division sales of conventional endowment assurance contracts were good as a result of the Company's continued involvement in a buoyant mortgage market. I referred last year to the steps being taken to expand the product range and scope of this division. Two further contracts offering individual pension arrangen for the self-employed and for executives and directors were introduced during the year and they, together with the Investment Linked Single Premium Bond and Maximum Allecation Plan, produced encouraging new business results.

In my statement last year I referred to the introduction of a new contract, the first original contract in this branch of the industry for many years. This has proved very successful and now accounts for more than 90 per cent of the new business being written. Additionally, arising from changes in the treatment of Life Assurance Premium Relief, there was a substantial non-recurring uplift in Industrial Branch premium income during 1979.

The results in this branch have benefited considerably from these two factors, new annual premiums having increased by 47 per cent as compared with the previous year and premium income by 30 per cent.

Expansion in Pensions Market

General Branch

It is a little over three years since the Company commenced operations in the group and individual pensions market and the success of the programme to date has been most encouraging. The rate of expansion into this market must necessarily be controlled, since the maintenance of firstclass standards of service are as essential to success as sound investment performance. Gross annual premiums during 1979 showed a 39 per cent increase over the premous year, i would like to thank the national brokers and pensions advisers for their increasing support.

Fromium income rose by 22 per cent compared with that of the previous year, but adverse weather conditions, particularly in the early part of last year, denied the Company a contribution from underwriting profit on its General

Branch Account which is reinsured with Sun Alliance and London Insurance Limited, Under this present arrangement little investment income is available to offset fluctuations in underwitting experience such as occurred last year and although the motor and accident account showed satisfactory results there was an overall loss of £284,000. Your Directors are confident that the intention to assume control of the Company's own account in 1981, with the consoquent investment income generated, will assist in the General Branch expansion and prolitability. Welfare Insurance

I am particularly pleased to report that towards the and of the year Welfare Insurance was able to repay the balance of loans advanced by National Westminster Bank Limited and Brooks Bond Liebig Limited in 1974. Without their financial help the rescue of Welfare Insurance, which took place in that year, would not have been possible and I would like to pay tribute to their continuing support during the past 5 years. Welfare Insurance is now free from its loan commitment and attention can be concentrated on building

During 1979 the Company was able to take advantage of high interest rates to increase holdings of long deted British Government Securities by £6m. Holdings in ordinary shares increased by £3.5m partly through selective purchase of equities and partly as a result of the exproise of rights from convertible loan stocks. The largest increase is in holdings of freehold and leasehold property which now account for some 24 per cent of the investment portfolio in

terms of market value. Mortgages on property have increased by approximately £5m. The valuation of the investments of the long term fund at the end of 1979 disclosed a total net appreciation of £44m compared with £43m in 1978. This figure is based on (a) Stock Exchange investments at middle market prices at

(b) properties at valuation at 31st December, 1979 (c) mortgages and loans at values based on an appropriate market rate of interest over the expected term of the

loan, less reserve. in calculating the figure of appreciation, account has been taken of the estimated contingent liability for tax on capital gains and the transfer from inner reserve of £2.1m in connection with the provision for terminal bonuses referred to later in my statement.

I am pleased to report that investment income has continued to grow at a very satisfactory rate and this particularly applies to investment trust equities, where the Company has significant holdings. Income from investments increased by £3.5m compared with the previous year to give a gross rate of interest earned of 12.65 per cent on the Ordinary Branch Fund and 12.58 per cent on the Industrial Branch Fund.

Complete Bonus System In the Ordinary Branch a reversionary bonus of £4.90 per cent of the sum assured compared with £4.80 per cent in the previous year has been declared.

In the Industrial Branch the annual reversionary bonus on adult endowment assurances has been maintained at £3.60 per cent and the bonuses on infantile endowment and normal whole life business have also been maintained. To provide for terminal bonuses the sum of £2.1m has been transferred from inner reserve. £1.1m to the Ordinary

Life Fund and £1 m to the industrial Life Fund.

Profit and Loss Account

Transfers from the Life Funds on the usual basis provided £856,000 from the Ordinary Branch and £871,000 from the Industrial Branch and the sum of £325,000 has been transferred from the investment Trust Retirement Annuity Fund. There has been an increase in investment income of

£225,000 and after setting off the General Branch loss of

£264,000 and the charges for expenses of management

Your Directors have decided to recommend the payment of a final dividend of 5.60p per share which together with the associated tax credit would make a gross equivalent distribution of 8p per share. This, with the interim dividend paid in November 1979, would make a total gross equivalent for the year onded 31st Docember, 1973 of 12.50p per share (1978 10,5159p per share).

After providing for these dividends, the balance carried forward has been increased by £460,000.

The Budget The 1980 Budget Statement contains a number of proposals affecting the industry. In particular I welcome the increased opportunity being given to the self-employed to make adaquate provision for their ratirement and the more to ensure that Life Assurance Premium Relief shell only be available for the ganuine longer term policies for which it

was intended. When the present system of Life Assurance Premium Relief was imposed on the industry in 1979 it caused considerable administrative expense to be incurred, and any subsequent elteration in the rate will impose further significent cost burdens on the industry. While appreciating the justification for the reduction in the rate of Life Assurance Framium Relief from 171 per cent to 15 per cont in 1981. E2. view with some concern a situation in which the Chancellor of the Exchanger may feel obliged to maintain the direct relationship between the standard rate of tax and the rate of premium relief which might lead to frequent and

costly administrative changes.

There has been much comment in recent months concerning the impact of micro-chip technology on the manner in which clerical administrative work is done and on the

numbers of people amployed, Your Directors believe it is in the long term interests of the Company — staff, policyholders and shareholders — to apply new technologies where appropriate in order to maintain an up-to-date and efficient organisation. Jobs are best safequarded by ensuring that the Company is run in the most effective way and is therefore in a position to expand its markets, its opportunities and consequently the career prospects of the staff concerned.

Your Directors also believe that proper consultation with the Union involved is a necessary pre-requisite to the introduction of new methods, and preliminary discussions have already taken place to that and. The objectives will be wholly satisfactory level of job fulfilment for the considerable number of staff required to administer a progressive and increasing workload resulting from the successful offorts of the marketing organisation.

The Future

Since my last statement there have been some marked changes in the general financial climate and in the action which government is taking. Such changes have repercussions on all aspects of our national life and a financial institution can be materially affected by circumstances outside its control.

 Despite the problems we face over the next few years. considerable opportunities for progress remain and your Board fully supports the management policy to extend the Company's activities and to introduce new insurance contracts and new methods of operation thus stimulating both the marketing and the administrative sides of the organisation. I have referred earlier in my statement to several important new leatures which have been introduced during the course of 1979 and your Directors are confident that the Company will continue to make significant progress in the chosen areas of its activities.

The Annual General Meeting will be held on 23rd May. 1980. Copies of the Report, which includes the full text of the Chairman's Statement may be obtained from the Secretary at Imperial House, Deminion Street, London EC2M 25P.



Motoring

European car makers move to close ranks

Some motor industry commentators think that the time will eventually come when the world's volume car manufacturers are reduced to only six main groups, two American (Ford and General car manufacturers are Motors), two Japanese (Toyota and Nissan/Detsun) and two European

Just how the European pattern will emerge is not yet clear but the Peugeot-Citroën-Talbot merger can obviously be seen as an attempt to book one of Europe's two places. And there has been much talk in the last week or so about the need for European manufacturers to close ranks against the twin threat of the Americans and the Japanese.

This was, for instance, implicit in the agreement announced between BL and five other leading European groups (Peugeot, Renault, Fiat, Volkswagen and Volvo) to cooper-ate on long-term research. Though the collaboration will not extend as far as the product stage, and the companies will continue to compete, each should be the stronger for not

having to duplicate costly development work.

The American multinationals, significantly, are excluded from the agreement, the six clearly seeing Ford, Opel and Vauxhall as outside competitors that can only become: stronger as European and American. car designs move closer together. Then at the Turin Motor Show

Signor Umberto Agnelli, chairman of the Fiat car division, spoke of Europe becoming the battleground of the big Japanese and American manufacturers and called on European companies to work out a joint defence strategy", involving mitional governments and the Euro-

pean Community: Signor Aguelli was also critical of

collaboration between European and Japanese companies. On the pro-posed Alfa Romeo-Nissan deal, he said it was dangerous for Europe that a part of its industry as big as. Alfa should be dependent on a Japanese company for its produc-tion. And he expressed strong dis-approval of the BL-Honda agree-ment under which a Honda car will be assembled next year at Cowley.

The latest industry figure to take up the theme of Europe versus America and Japan is Herr Toni Schmücket, chairman of Volks-wagen. He said this week that VW. would be directing its strength at Europe more than ever before and was expecting to increase its European market share from 13 to 15 per cent within two years.

As a corollary, the company was plauning to open a second car assembly plant in the United States which would allow vehicles previously exported to America to be released for European markets. (In



Brisk and economical—the Volkswagen Jetta.

the heyday of the Beetle, Volks-wagen sold more cars each year in the United States than it did in Germany.)

It remains to be seen just how the "joint defence strategy" urged by Signor Agnelli will develop. Already mergers have greatly rationalized the European car industry: Volkswagen took over Audi and NSU, Fiat absorbed Lancia and Volvo acquired the former Dai car division in The Netherlands, Peugeot has swallowed two big companies, Citroen and the former Chrysler Europe, and now heads the Continent's biggest car-making group.

There have also been collaborations between competing firms. Renault and Peugeor Citroen share engines with Volvo. Saab and Lancia have technical and marketing links. Before the Honda deal,

BL was having talks with Renault about the possibility of sharing the components and even assembling the R18 in Britain.

For BL the need for partners is greater than for most of the others, since it is now a relatively small company as volume producers go. Volkswagen makes more Golfs in a year than BL makes cars and the economic implications are not hard

Road Test: Volkswagen Jetta

Volkswagen is at pains to promote the Jetta as something more than simply a Golf with a boot added but essentially the car is just that, repeating the successful exercise by which the Polo sired the Derby. At one time hatchback cars like the Golf and Polo seemed set to take over completely; then car companies discovered that the traditional "three-box" saloon still had a large following. Hence the Derby and the Jetta and, for that matter, Talbot's new Solara.

Volkswagen has decided to set the Jetta fairly high up the market, with prices starting at just over £4,000. However, at 13 feet 9 inches the car is significantly shorter than models which Volkswagen sees as main rivals, such as the Renault, 18 and the Vauxhall Cavalier. The fewer inches are fine as far as parking goes but I wonder whether the prospective Jetta buyer will feel he is gerting enough car for his money.

That is a psychological point. The practical consideration is what the Jetta offers in passenger and luggage space. About the boot there can be no argument, it is huge by any standards and particularly so for a car in this class. Volkswagen cortina's, which I can believe. On the other hand rear passenger space is decidedly mean, both for the legs and the head.

Mechanically the Jetta is close to the Golf, offering a choice of 1300 and 1500cc overhead camshair engines, with a fuel injected 1600 for those who want extra perform-ance and are prepared to pay almost 26,000 for the privilege. My test car was the 1500, whose 70 bhp unit was nippy enough for most needs. The bare figures (0 to 60 mph in 13 seconds, top speed of 96 mph) give no idea of the engine's eagerness, nor of its good flexibility in top gear. Fuel consumption came

out at a creditable 28 to 34 miles to the gallon and the car runs on two-star fuel.

The engine is a curious mixture of the smooth and the noisy, Driven gently the car is most refused and 70 mph motorway cruising is little strain on the ear drums. But pushed at all hard, the engine develops an unpleasant boom. Thanks to the car's good aerodynamic shape, wind noise is kept to a minimum, mough rough surfaces can set up noticeable tyre rumble. . .

Handling is generally crisp, in the German manner, helped by light and precise steering and responsive brakes. The car corners without much bodyroll and roadholding is good, apart from a tendency to be good, apart from a tendency to be jogged off line on broken surfaces. The gearbox, with its short movements and accurate slotting, is a pleasure to use. The ride seems to have been tailored to those superb German roads, which is to say that it is far from smooth, indeed jarring, on inferior ones.

The cockpit layout is admirable except that large drivers may feel the steering wheel pressing on their thighs. Instruments are clear and neat and the minor controls handily placed; there are unusually good rearview mirrors, both inside and out. The ventilation system summons up an impressive blast of air.
and the heater is effective while
tending to produce stuffiness. The
seats are firm, though not excessively so, and could give more support to the back.

Brisk, economical and a pleasure to drive: there is much to admire in the Jetta. But the cramped back seat is a drawback and so, to a

lesser extent, are engine noise and ride quality. The GLS version I tried costs £4,977 and it is a well equipped and well finished vehicle; but if the Renault 18 and Cavaller are to be taken as yardsticks the

Topless Golf

Coincidentally I have also been driving the latest version of the Golf to arrive in Britain, the Convertible. It is a soft of belated replacement for the soft top Beetle, which sold 330,000 units and became enough of a cult for later models now to be changing hands in Britain for up to £8,000.

The Golf Convertible is not quite so expensive, though £6,852 is still a lot to pay for a small car. It is, however, the cheapest convertible offering four full seats and Volkswagen expects to sell at least 1,000 them here during the rest of the year.

It is also very much a top model, both in trim and equipment and in its engine, which is the fuel injected 1.6 litre mated with a five-speed gearbox. The result is truly sporting performence, with brisk acceleration and a classified top speed of 112 mph

eration and a claimed top speed of 112 mph.

The bood can be put up and taken down virtually single handed but to allow for a reasonable booi it does not fold completely flat and tends to obscure the driver's rearry vision. Open air motoring in Britain may, for most of the years be a form of masochism but sivens be a form of masochism but given a warm and tranquil day the Gols Convertible is a car to have.

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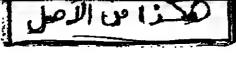
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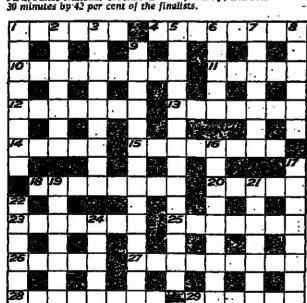
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Bobby Ball and Tommy Cannon say "Rock-on" with their own brand of humour in The Cannon and Ball Show (ITV;

• Exploring the curiosities of married life is not exactly a new theme for drama, but tonight's Playhouse has certainly come up with something different. David Cook's play Mary's Wife (BBC 2, 9.00) is about the problems of a woman married to a transvestite. Mary, played by Barbara Leigh-Hunt, has done her best to live with with her husband's little oddity : she allows him "knickers and high heels one day a week and in the evenings sometimes", but as everyone knows, you give a man an inch and he'll take a mile. The husband who is his own mistress is played by Robert Gillespie who, if I remember correctly, tried out transvestism in an earlier series of the dreadful comedy show Agony.

 London viewers can discover what is behind the office building boom in the capital by watching The London Programme (LWT, 11.00). The Environment Department is now considering two big developments, one at Vanxhall and the other at Waterloo, and the boom is much more soundly based than was its predecessor in the early 70s-but are all these offices really necessary?

 There is a treat in store for Radio 3 listeners this evening. Carlo Maria Giulini conducts the Los Angeles Philharmonic in a performance of the " Eroica " broadcast live from the Royal Festival Hall. The orchestra also plays the Adagio from Mabler's Tenth. The concert begins at 8.00 with the Mahler and the Beethoven will start at about 8.45, after a break for Poetry Now.

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Campagna (r); 9.52 Merry

Round: Sex Education (r); 10.15

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the Times (r); 10.35 Going to
Work: People at Work (r); 12.40

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Interval at 11.20.

Too The Wonderful World of Disport the Stowaway Dog, with Guy
Stockwell.

7.50 Critical Smith: Repeat of the
Thouse episode in which wolffi

flavour, with Pik-Sen Lim.

11.40 For Schools, Colleges: Exploring Science—Energy (r). Close down at 12.00.

12.45 pm News.
1.00 Pebble Mill at One: Interview with aviator Shella Scott, who recalls Amy Johnson's historic flight to Australia 50 yeers ago and takes about her own exploits. Also, Dr. Paul Corrigan, of Warwick University, explains his theories about the repented battles between neenage gangs, which many seaside resorts must be fearing this Bank holiday weekend.

1.45 Camberwick Green: Animated puppers (r). 7.50 Citizen Smith: Repeat of the marvellous episode in which wolfle (played beautifully by Robert Lindsay) decides he must become a

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9.30 am For schools: The English Programme: Black immigrants (r): 9.57 Stop, Look, Listen: Canals (r): 10.10 Alive and kicking: Children's growth (r): 10.31 Living and Growing: Differences between the saxes (r): 10.48 Music Round: Guitar (r): 11.10 Reading with Lenny: Kenn's Umbrella (r): 11.22 Leaping: Maths magazine (r).

11.39 Over to You Circles (r).

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11.55 Beany and Cecil Cartoon : Rin-Tin-Can. Rin-Ha-Can. 12.00 A Handful of Songs with Marai Morgan and Keith Field. 12.10 pm Once Upon a Time: Peter

Davison tells the story of The Fox and the Crow (r). 12.30 Local Elections 1980: Alus-

tair Burnet sums up the results of yesterday's polls and assesses how they will affect us.

1.20 Thames News with Robin Houston.

1.30 For Maddie with Love: Second spisode of the story about a happily married woman who learns she has only a few months

1.00 News with Peter Sissons.

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8.50 Points of View: Barry Took with viewers' comments.

9.00 News with Richard Baker.

9.25 Amateur Boxing: Harry Car-penter at the George Wimpey 6.40 am Open University: 6.40 Rodin: 7.05 Computers— Algorithms: 7.30 Measuring Frac-

narry to the cause of the Tooting Popular Front.

8.20 The Sun Trap: This new consedy series got off to a rather processing start last week, but now that the characters have been established I look forward to better things.

11.00 Play School. Same as BBC 1 at 3.55.

11.25 Smooker: Continuing the semi-finals of the Embassy World Professional Championship from the Crucible Theatre in Sheffield.
4.50 Open University: 4.50 Internal Energy; 5.15. Uranium; 6.08 The Sense Organs; 6.36 is Fiscal Policy Stabilizing?
6.55 Smooker: Frame of the Day. I

and Ian Rowlands as Merim (r).
4.45 Magple.
5.15 Emmerdale Farm: More rumblings over Sam's prize fish and a surprise for the vicar.
5.45 News.
6.00 Thames News with Andrew Gardner and Rita Carier.
6.30 Thames Sport: Allan Taylor, Brough Scott and John Taylor preview the weekend's sport.

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7.25 News with subtitles for the nusson returns to Iceland, the only real Viking nation.

7.35 Gardeners' World: Geoffrey Smith and Clay Jones visit Mrs entation starring Robert Gillespie. Beth Chatton in her beautiful and annual garden at Wnite Bain House.

8.40 Five to One: Site de Valera.

25-year-old daughter of the late President of the Irish Republic and herself an MP and a member of the European Parliament, is questioned by five reonic about terproposals to solve the Irish question.

8.30 Vikings! Part 7 (of 10): An Island Called Thule. Magnus Mag-

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4.15 The Boy Merin: The Tide of Vengeance. Young Merlin's aprinude as an apprentice sorcerer leads him into deadly danger, with Donald Houston, Rachel. Thomas and Ian Rowlands as Merlin (r).

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9.00 The Gentle Touch: Woman detective Maggie Forbes played by Jill Gascoine, investigates the case of a middle-aged woman found dead in what appears to be a secret love-nest. 10.00 News.

11.00 The London Programme with Godfrey Hodgson. Godfrey Hodgson.

11.45 Luke's Eingdom: Luke takes
up the sword of justice himself
when his prize bull is stolen. I find this series a bit of a Strine (x). 7.00 Play Your Cards Right: Complicated quiz show with Bruce Forsyth.

12.45 am Close: Bernard Hepton reads Wilfred Owen's Funity and At the Genotaph by Siegaried Sassoon.

10.30 Soap: More madness in the comedy series that is definitely an acquired taste (and one which I have acquired).

Grampian As London except: Starts \$.25 am First Taling .1.20 pm News. 2.46 Stars on ice. 5.15 Emmardale Farm. 5.00 North Tonight, 6.30 Sharp Intake of Breath. 5.0 8.1 and the Bear. 10.20 Points North. 11.30 Reflections, 19.25 Police Woman. 12,30 am News. Anglia WAVELENGTHS: Radio 1 medium wave 275m/1089kHz or 285m/1053kHz. Radio 2 med wave 330m/909kHz or 433m/693kHz and 88-91 VHF. Radio 3 med wave 247m/1215kHz and 90-92.5 VHF. Radio 4 long wave 1500m/200kHz and 92-95 VHF. Greater London area only; med wave 720kHz/417m, LBC 261m, 97.3 VHF. Capital 194m, 95.8 VHF. World Service: med wave 648kHz (463m). BBC Radio London 206m, 94.9 VHF.

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9.00 News.,

10.00 News.

6.00 am News Briefing. 10-Farming Today. 6.30 Today. 7.00, 8.00 News.

7.30, 8.30 Headlines

8.35 Yestertlay in Parliament.

9.05 Desert Island Discs. A5 Down the Garden Path. ture. 5.50 Regional news, weather. 11.00-11.30 Study on 4: Introduc-tion to Arabic (5). Radio 3

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6.55 am (new only) Weather. 7.00 News. 7.05 Records: J. C. Bach, J. S. Rach Dyorak † Bach, Dvorak.†

8.00 News.

8.05 Records: Mozart Schubert
(Trout), Gluck, Josef Strauss.†

9.06 News.

9.05 Week's Composer: Mozart.†

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11.40 BBC Northern SO/Akusa:
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7.26 Piano: Mozart, Berg, Scrabin.†
8.00 Los Angeles PO/Giulini (live from Ferrival Hall), pt 1: Mahler (Sym 10 Adagio).†
8.25 Poetry New, 8.45 LAPO pt 2: Beethoven (Sym 3).†
9.50 Conversation (Dean Rusk): American Foreign Policy in an Election Year.
10.45. Music in Our Time: BEC Singers/London Sinfonietts/N. Cleobury: Bennett Gerhard Maxwell Davies , Ecce, manus tradentis—1st UK bdcstl?
11.40 Record: Buxtehude.†
11.55.12.00 News.

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2.00 pm-3.00 Schools : Let's Join In ; Religious Education ; Adven-Radio 2

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5.00 am News, weather, 5.03 Ray Moore,† 7.32 Terry Wogas,† 10.03 Jimmy Young,† 12.03 pm David Hamilton,† 2.03 Ed Strwart, 4.03 Much More Music,† 5.00 News, 5.05 Waggoners' Walk, 5.20 Much More Music,† 6.03 John Dunn,† 8.02 Take Your Partners,† 8.45 Friday Night is Music Night,† 9.55 Sports Desk, 10.02 Marks in his Diary, 10.30 The Organist Entertains, 11.02 Peter Clayton, 2.03 am-5.00 You and the Night and the Music,†

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By Donald Macintyre
Labour Reporter
The Sunday Mirror failed to appear yesterday because of industrial action by members of the National Graphical Association in graphical tion in support of 45,000 col-leagues employed in provincial newspapers and general print-ing, who are in dispute over their pay claims. Similar action prevented publication of The

Times on Saturday.
Informal moves during the weekend by the Advisory, Con-cilliation and Arbitration Service, produced no sign of renegotiations at least until after the union's national

The union said yesterday that its members remained determined to press their claim for an £80-a-week minimum wage and a 371-hour week within the next 12 months. The dispute has stopped the publication of most provincial daily news-

British Printing Industries Federation, which represents general printing employers, said that it expected more member, "including some large and medium sized firms", lock out union employees with the federation's instructions. The union estimated towards the end of last week that only about a quarter of their federation members had been suspended without pay.

London area wholesale members of the Society of Graphical and Allied Trades was expected last night to stop distribution of national newspapers in the The 3,000 members of the

valon were expected to with The management said the draw their labour in support of contributory factor was a long-standing claims for Bank tinuing demarcation issue

holiday payments similar to those paid to their colleagues employed by the national news-

papers. Mr William Keys, the union's general secretary, said yester-day that the holiday payments made by the newspapers were basically double time and time off in lieu.
The Society of Lithographic

Artists. Designers and Engravers has joined the National Union of Journalists in instructing its members, not to cooperate with managements that are producing provincial newspapers without National Graphical Association labour. It has told its members not to cross picket lines at provincial newspapers offices and that members paper offices and that members acting in accord with that reacting in accord with that requirement would be entitled to dispute benefit up to a maximum of £75 s week.

Mr. Keys, whose provincial

Mr Keys, whose provincial newspaper and general printing membership overwhelmingly accepted in a ballot the employers! offer of a £75 minimum and a 37½-hour week by 1982, said yesterday that he had instructed negotiators to seek an extra £5 a week from those companies which had settled on the National Graphical Association's terms. Union "stands firm": The National Graphical Association would fight "to the last drop would fight "to the last drop of its money" in its dispute with provincial newspapers and the printing industry, the annual conference of the Wales TUC was told ar Llandudno

yesterday Sunday Times losses: About 273,000 copies of the Sunday Times production of 1,520,000 copies were lost yesterday.

The management said that a contributory factor was a con-

Union defends £5,000 to 'Morning Star'

The Transport and General Workers' Union yesterday defended a decision by its executive to give £5,000 to the Morning Star against mounting criticism of the move by a num-

ber of Labour MPs.
The contribution, announced at the weekend, was made in response to a £50,000 appeal by the communist daily newspaper. Mr John Cartwright, Labour MP for Greenwich, Woolwich East, said it was an "extraordinary thing" for the union to use members' money in this way, "money given to them on the clear understanding that it is being used basically for sup-porting the Labout Party". Mr Cartwright added: "If I were a member of the TGWU

would want to know why funds are being used to support the newspeper of a party of Public Emplo actively opposed to Labour.". is open to any i Mr Benjamin Ford, Labour decide whether MP for Bradford, North, said particular paper. For the record...

Olympic body

Moscow games

'The British Olympic Associa-tion had its first public debate un Friday on whether Britain should take part in the Olympic Games in Moscow and showed that its thinking was as split as that of the British public.

The occasion was the estecia-

The occasion was the associa-

tion's annual meeting and it

attracted a record attendance

of 100 of the 2,470 members. There were stirring speeches from Sir Denis Follows, the chairman, and Lord Noel-Baker, aged 91, who spoke in favour

Sir Deuis reiterated the deci-sion of the association's com-mittee that no competitor

should be denied the oportunity

oppressed millions.

Teachers reject

which is to receive further gov-ernment support towards meet-

ing its cash needs of \$180m this year, has disclosed losses of £58.4m for the past year. The scale of the downturn

13pc pay offer

split over

the union was affiliated to the Labour. Party and osensibly committed to Labour Party polcies. He added: "I fail to see how it can possibly then support another organization which puts up candidates against official Labour candi-

Mr Mostyn Evans, the union's general secretary, said that the newspaper was one of the few that had a sympathetic approach to the very serious difficultie sthe trade union movement was facing.

Mr Larry Smith, the TGWU executive officer, confirmed that the money had come from the political fund, but said that the executive had wide powers to deploy the fund for broadly political purposes. political purposes.

Mr Alan Fisher, general secretary of the National Union of Public Employees, said "It is open to any trade union to decide whether it supports a

A strong attack on the

secretiveness of the Chancellor

of the Exchequer and the Tressury was made on Friday by Mr Edward du Cann, chairman

of the Commons Select Com-

mittee on the Treasury and the Civil Service.

interview after publication of

the committee's report on the Budget and the Government's

Siege machinery was exercised only a few weeks before the Iranian Emb assy crisis

Police have often practised dealing with hostage takers

By Our Crime Reporter civil servant played the part of includes the distinction of be-Scotland Yard can hardly be described as inexperienced when it comes to handling sieges. Tucking their successes at Spaghetti House and Balcombe Street under their beits the Metropolitan Police have tested their plans with annual exercises over the past five

years.

This year's exercise was only a few weeks ago at Heathrow airport under the code name Heatwave. For a night, while the airport was quiet, police officers, Army personnel and civil servants tried to cope with a complicated operation in which "terrorists" held passengers due to catch an Israeli flight at a hading gate in one of the tera loading gate in one of the terminals.

To make things more difficult, fictional politicians were among the hostages and the terrorists had another gang kidnapping a VIP elsewhere in Britain.

The whole machinery of deal-

ing with a siege was thoroughly exercised down to the setting up of an operations centre link-

The exercise was a success even if the civil servants posing as reporters were taken hostage.

Heatwave was particularly apr because previous exercises had involved hostages held in an aircraft. For the first time it was considered what would happen if they were held in a building

Now Deputy Assistant Com-missioner John Bellow, the man in charge of the police operation, and Superintendent Frederick Luff, the main negotiator, are putting into practice the lessons learnt from Heat-

Mr Dellow, aged 49, is a much travelled policeman. A Londoner by birth, this dapper, precisely spoken man started his career with the City of London police, moved to Kont where the create a satisf. to Kent, where he rose to assist-ant chief constable, and then went to Scotland Yard.

His career as bear policeman, fraud squad detective and, ing Whitehall to the scene. A eventually, police planner, also ing the first police officer to attend a course at a military staff college. That could be an experience of some use at the embassy siege because if events turned sour a team from The Special Air Services Regi-

last desperate throw. The responsibility for preventing that happening falls very heavily on Mr Luff. A uniformed officer at Gerald Road police station, near the embassy, he is better known to the public as a former head of the Drugs Sound the Drugs Squad.

It was under his leadership in the middle 1970s that the squad successfully broke several triad heroin rings. But Mr Luff, aged 46, paid the price for allegations of corruption among his officers involving the recycling of cannabis. He was removed as head of the squad removed as head of the squad as part of police policy that in such cases the officer in charge is held accountable for what goes on under his command. An athletic man, Mr Luff is a keen boxer and pilot. Standing on the pavement outside the

an open, cheerful manner with techniques of negotiation learnt When he rests, one of another

three negotiators takes his place. There were no signs last night of an end to the siege. but the police did not believe that it would go on as long as the Irish siege at Monastervin, which lasted 18 days. Unlike that occasion, Mr Luff and his team made rapid con-

tact, meeting no strong ideological hostility. In both Ireland and at Balcombe Street, the siege began when the Provisional IRA men involved were trapped and had to adjust to their position. The Iranian gunmen launched the present siege deliberately.

That is an essential difference between the situation at Prince's

Gate and earlier incidents: the Iranians went in adjusted to what they were going to do and had to face. It is important therefore that Mr Luff and his colleagues

should build a rapport both for safety's sake and for gleaning information. The police must know with whom they are deal-

The National Pastoral Con-

gress will begin its third full day of discussion in Liverpool

roday in an atmosphere of op-

timism and with some signs of excitement among the 2,000 delegates at the possibility

that it could prove even more successful than expected.

which the congress began not

only referred to the possibility

of a visit to Britain but, more significantly for the delegates.

expressed his enthusiasm for what they were doing, and his

praise for the concept of shared responsibility.". That was seen as unequivocal

encouragement for this novel and adventurous way of de-

ciding the priorities of policy

in the Roman Catholic Church.

No longer, after Liverpool, will it deserve its conservative

long eas an enterprise run by

bishops with the assistance of priests for the benefit of a pas-

sive and uncritical laity.

Many criticisms of the pre-

sent state of affairs bave already

come to the surface in the course of the ork of multitudi-

nous small discussion groups, but the tone is positive and constructive nevertheless. Many

delegates from other churches

are playing a full part in the

proceedings.
One early point to appear

The Pope's message with

Foreign Affairs

Pope's praise cheers

Catholic congress

might be. They have dealt with criminals and the Provisional IRA, but are less well acquainted with the Middle

Eastern mind. They also want to know more about routine at the embassy. At other sieges those involved were contained on one room; at Prince's Gate, the guntaen can range through a five-storey building.

This is not all in favour of the terrorists, who must keep watch on many fronts; but undoubtedly they are motivated by a strong political fervour and, to complicate matters, the police have the difficulty of facing demands which can be met only by a third party out of British influence or control.

The yearly exercises no doubt have considered that factor, but it is unlikely that they included the extra dimension of the civil disorder on the streets pre-sented in the past few days by the Iranian demonstrators and their supporters and the counter demonstrators. Perhaps that dimension will be added to next year's exercise.

rules governing reception of Roman Catholic Holy Com-munion by members of other

congress expressed the view

that that, intercommunion, as it

is called, should be more generously allowed,

Pope John Paul Il's opening

essage conveyed his congratu-

lations on the initiative of the English and Welsh Roman

Catholic community in holding

a congress in this way. In a second message, which had not been expected, he added: "This

is a great responsibility and

opportunity for you all. May

you carry out your task with courage and humility..."

The Archbishop of Liverpool, the Most Rev Derek Worlock,

who has chaired all the prelim-

inary work in setting up the congress, remarked afterwards

that the Pope's message was an "effective answer to those alleging anxiety in the Holy

See, or a quiet rebellion on our part ".

each sector at a press confer-

to the results of poverty and

summarized by spokesmen

The first full day's work was

churches.

One section of the

Gunmen are ringed by a battery of cameras

By John Witherow The Iranian Embassy in Lon on has been under siege no merely by the police but also by a formiddable battery o television and press camera. The scene about 200 yards from the sembassy, where we to fix the embassy, where up to fiv gummen last night were stil holding about twenty peopl hostage, resembled a Pos

Office trade fair.

The BBC and independent elevision hired two gian by draulic cranes, known a "cherry-pickers", et a cost of E40 an hour. They swun gently in the breeze 60fr abov ground, enabling both channel to get virtually identical pictures of the front door of the embassy. Between 30 and 4 reporters covering the siege to each station round the clock. "If this goes on much longe it could be one of the mos it could be one of the mose expensive operations we have mounted", a BBC produce said. The stations were backe up by several editing an transmitting vans and twee mobile film cameras which could be rushed to any distributes.

Besides the British televisio channels, the American ne works brought in crefs from a over Europe and from as fa away os Los Angeles. The beamed their film to a hea office in London from where was bounced off satellites for the New York breakfast show and news programmes.

"Going on the bird", as AB calls it, cost \$1,500 for the fir10 minutes and \$54 for ever minute after that. NBC said the

on one day because of the sies they had reserved satellite tim for three hours, but emphasize that much of that would b used for European and middle Eastern news reports.

The tripods of the first pres photographers on the scen . were replaced by scaffolding

which enabled a score of photo graphers to get a steady armore comfortable view as the settled in for a long wait sur rounding by vacuum flasks an protected by beach umbrella: Uniformed policemen wer drafted from other regions o the Metropolitan area, especia ly the East End, and some ha their weekend leave cancelle

over the Bank boliday. That put extra strain the city's police at a time whe the force was 3,000 men belo strength. The operation als ence on Saturday evening. The involved such specialists uni points raised included the church's insufficient attention as D11, the police marksmer the anti-terrorist squad an sections of the Special Patro unemployment; human rights; the lack of drive behind Christian unity; and the the incidence o fwdivorce and Group.

Scotland Yard said it was in possible to estimate the cost The only gauge is that the cos of policing the merch in Lewi sham, south London, two week ago was more than £250,000 using 3,500 policemen for onafternoon.

The occupation meant tha pepole living in adjacen houses were evacuated bε cause of the gunmen's threat t blow up the embassy if thei demands for the release of 9

Many people were forced a stay with friends and relative

Mr Rodgers backs US missiles

Political Correspondent It the Labour Party failed to It the Labour Party falled to ensure that the United Kingdom was properly defended it would never win an election again, Mr William Rodgers, the Opposition spokesman on defence, said in an article published in Friday by the Labour Committee on Transatlantic Understanding.

Mr Rodgers highlighted the split between the Labour Shadow Cabinet and the party's national executive by calling for the stationing of American nuclear missiles in the United

Kingdom.
The national executive says in the statement on party policy due to come up for approval at a party conference on May 31 that a future Labour Govern-ment would not create a successor to the Polaris nuclear weapon system and would be opposed to the manufacture

Dr Owen says

By Our Political Correspondent "Discord" summed up the first year of Mrs Thatcher's

Administration, Dr David Owen, the former Labour Foreign Secretary, told a May Day reliy

at Maumbury Rings, Dor-chester, yesterday.

He claimed that Tory voters felt that they had been deceived; the local alection

results showed that they had

Dr Owen recalled Mrs Thatcher's quoting on the steps

of 10 Downing Street the words of St Francis of Assisi: "Where

there is discord, may we bring

the Government's spending plans assumed.

cized the Government for "obsessive secrecy". The members clearly believe that Sir Geoffrey Howe the Chancellor

has yet to come to terms with

the workings of the new investi-

Luck of detail in the Govern-

ment's spending plans is critic-ized in the report, which looks

The committee's report criti-

deserted in droves.

Treasury secrecy attacked

by Mr Edward du Cann

Mr du Cann said in a radio gative select committees.

Budget and the Government's spending plans that he was worried about some of the assumptions and forecasts underlying the economic strategy.

In particular he suggested that the Treasury's forecast for the Government's public spending white papers.

The committee hopes to influence next week's debate on the Government's public spending white papers.

missiles in the United Kingdom.
Mr Rodgers said that past
Labour governments had supported Nato and the deployment of nuclear weapons as a counter to the Russian nuclear threat. "If cruise missiles are the best way of resisting the Sovier threat, there is no new principle involved in basing them here."

German socialists, of both the right and the left, had accepted the need for cruise missiles as part of the nuclear armoury of Nato. The Germans had close relations with Eastern Europe and wanted detente but they did not trust the Russians to negotiate for permanent peace unless Nato was strong enough

to resist Soviet blackmail.

"Consider Afghanistan", Mr
Rodgers continued. "It is not
part of Europe, but it is a
victim of Soviet aggression.
Think back to the Berlin blockade, the terrible suppression of

"Tell that to the steel-work-

ers of Corby, Shorton and South

Wales as they are asked to accept a crazy scheme involving a £1.8m transfer fee to a United

States bank order to hire a new head for Britsh steel ", Dr Owen

Mr John Silkin Labour's front-

bench spokesman on industry, told th South Ayrshire May Day

rally on Saturday that the Gov-ernment had drawn a "Thatcher

Most of the people whom the Tories regarded as being "expendable" lived north of

the Avon to The Wash.

that line Mr Silkin said.

Niedermayer

From Chris Thomas,

Man accused of

murder in Ulster

A man is to appear in Belfast Magistrates' Court this morning charged with murdering Mr Thomas Niedermayer the Ger-

man industrialist, and with being a member of the Provi-sional IRA.

Two other men are also to

appear in connexion with Mr Niedermayer's death, both charged with withholding in-formation. One is additionally charged with being a member of the Provisional IRA and

Mr Niedermayer's remains were buried in Northern Ireland in March after being identified from dental records.

They were uncovered by an ex-cavator driver at an unofficial

with impeding arrest.

Tory voters 'deceived'

the Rungarian rising and the tragic events of Dubcek's Czechoslovakia.

"Reflect on Soviet dissidents sent to Siberia and Soviet Jews who are still the victims of discrimination. Surely it is right for the Russians to know that we are ready to defend our-selves?"

Mr Rodgers urged that Britain should retain a proper defence while giving a lead in disarma-ment. "Alone we could not do it, but for over 30 years Britain has been a member of Nato, which no one did more to create than Emest Bevin, Foreign Secretary in a Labour government and a great trade union leader. We knew what was meant by negotiation from

"Peace cannot be bought through weakness. That is the lesson of history which the Labour Party must never forget," Mr Rodgers concluded.

Thatcher list of success and failure

Continued from page 1 could not be persuaded to withdraw from Afghanistan it was worth going to the brink of

war.

One passage will be studied carefully because it seemed to disclose a new method of influencing public opinion within the Soviet Union. She said: "The war weapons we have now are absolutely dread-ful. No we must see absolutely dread-ful. ful. . No, we must use other means, by a massive propaganda campaign of a kind we have

never mounted yet.

"Electronics give us the chanceto do this, with big transmitters. Soon we shall have the enabling us to beam in televi-

Was there a chance that the nations would drift into a world war, as happened in 1914 after Sarajevo? "I must say categorically that I do not think so. The weapons are so hideous and terrible that those of us who are, for the time being, in charge of these matters, would

not let them drift".

Mrs Thatcher said she would be totally against any military intervention in Iran, such as the blockakding of ports or the laying of mines. The United. States attempt to rescue the hostages should not be con-sidered as military intervention. On the slege at the Iranian Embassy in London, Mrs Thatchre said the request for mediation was the subject of consultation between the three

countries named by the gunmen and the British Government. "We are tackling this problem in our usual way", she said.
"It is the job of the host country to give protection to

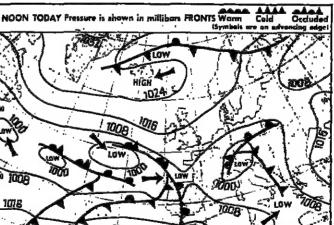
Mr Mostyn Evans, the the Transport and General Workers' Upion will be asked

TGWU may double its dues

later this year to pay substantially more in dues to put the union on a sound financial footing. At present the union is the cheapest to belong to; but the 25p a week contribu-tions could double after the rules revision conference next

general secretary, said at the weekend that the payment of dispute money had somewhat weakened the union's finances. "We had to pay out £1m to our members involved in the not met. 13-week steel strike, and a further £60,000 to 10,000 dockers who came out at Liver pool docks."

Weather forecast and recordings



London: Temp: max 7 am to 7 pm, 15°C (59°F); min 7 pm to 7 am, 6°C (43°F. Humidity, 7 pm 67 per cent. Rain, 24 hr to 7 pm nil. Sun. 24 hr to 7 pm, 12.1 hr Bar, mean sea level 7 pm, 1,014.6 millibars, rising.

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of consultation they leave us nowhere else to go but the streets. If we cannot get a hearing in Whitehall we have a duty and a right to speak out loud and clear." are asking for a 20 per cent rise on top of the increases, averaging 18 per cent, they are just received under the ecommendations from the legg commission. Earlier the "Close schools" nployers said they would drop If reference in negotiations to eachers' conditions of service.

Scottish teachers' union called on Friday for schools and col-

ernment's decision to transfer responsibility for the company from the National Enterprise

Board to the Department of

Industry, said that the most important reason for the losses was the effect of continued weakness of the American dollar on big contracts with United States companies.

Orders which had been

Rolls-Royce lose £58.4m

The scale of the downturn from the previous year's pretax dollar on big contracts with profit of £11.7m had been United States companies.

Jescribed by Sir Frank expected to be profitable when they were accepted were likely to be unprofitable, alrhough the extent of unprofitability would depend on inflation and

from Lord Keith of Castleacre depend on inflation and earlier this year after the Government of the fluctuations.

call to stop work, but Mr Arthur Scargill, the left-wing president of the Yorkshire area of the National Union of Muneworkers, said on Friday that about half the men responsible for getting miners and materials into the pits had changed their minds

Prison officers

Three prison officers convicted on Friday of assaulting a prisoner in the hospital wing of Brixton Prison, south London, would lose their jobs, pensions, accommodation and gratuities, luner London Crown Court was told.

Leslie Jenkins, aged 36, was fined 5200 for assault causing actual bodily harm, and Peter Keefe, aged 27, and John Jones, aged 47, a principal officer, were conditionally discharged for common assault as John for common assault on John Knight, the prisoner.

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More than 7,000 schoolgirl pregnancies a year

By Frances Gibb More than 7.000 schoolgirls below the age of 16 became below the age of 16 became pregnant each year on average in England and Wales between 1974 and 1976, an article in the latest issue of the British Medical Journal says.

Difficulties arising from pregnancy at such an early age are especially distressing, it says. Young girls are more likely than older teenagers and women up to the age of 35 to have complicated pregnancies, and morbidity and mortality rates are higher.

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The risk of an attempt later The risk of an attempt later at suicide is high and some research has shown a link between early motherhood and a poor relationship between the mother and baby, and baby between the

One serious consequence of pregnancy at that age is loss or disruption of education, the article says.

Family planning programmes early age, it says.

Gaidelines on pill: New guidelines to be published tomorrow
by the Department of Health
and Social Security are expected
to advise family doctors not to
prescribe contraceptive pills to
girls under 16 without their
parents' consent.

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Of 14,739 pregnancies among girls under 16 between 1974 and 1976, 10,273 were legally aborted, the article says. should be directed specifically at the needs of the young, and doctors should point out the possible medical consequences of sexual activity at such an

WEATHER REPORTS YESTERDAY MIDDAY: c, cloud; f, fair; C F

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In particular he suggested that the Treasury's forecast for output after 1980 was over-oprimistic and that unemployof taking part in the games: Other speakers accused the ing white paper, and so produced its report quickly. It is nevertheless an effective analysis of the Government's rubbish dump about a mile and a half from his home on the association of being an unrepre-sentative body and said it was outskirts of Belfast. He was kidnapped on Decemall diplomats, and to try, if we ment was likely to be more than 2,250,000 by 1983. have a terrorist situation, to wrong to support athletes going to Moscow. The Soviet Union Budget documents and the comber 28, 1973, by two young men who had called at his home and fsle of Man: Mostly dry, sunny periods; wind NE moderate; max temp 14° to 16°C (57° to 61°F). He also believed it unlikely that their would be a dramatic turnround in the performance mittee's special advisers have clearly beloed it a great deal to focus on the weaknesses in peaceful conclusion by showing But the loudest applause was won by Lord Noel-Baker, British pretended to have crashed into his car. In 1976 his widow, who still enormous patience, enormous experience and the only thing Sun sels : 8.31 pm Borders, Edinburgh and Dundee, Borders, Edinburgh and Dundee, Aberdeen, Moray Firth, NE Scotland. Orkney, Shetland: Rather cloudy, sunny intervals developing, perhaps a little druzle in places; wind N or NE, light or moderate; max temp 8° to 10°C (45° to 50°F). SW. NW Scotland, Glasgow, Central Highlands, Argyll, N Ireland: Mostly dry, sunny periods; wind NE, light or moderate; max temp 12° to 14°C (54° to 57°F). Outlook for tomorrow and Wednesday: Scattered showers in of nationalized industries, as them. we have, in the end-by perteam commandant at the 1952 Moon rises Moon sets: 12.33 am 9.19 am works at the Grundig factory, which her husband headed, persuaded a West German court officially to declare her husband dead. The discovery of Mr Niedermayer's remains partly ended one of the greatest mysteries of the partly and the partly ended one of the greatest mysteries of the partly ended one of the greatest. games. The message at Moscow would be "the friendship and cooperation of all the nations of the world", he said. Yesterday Murray call for new policy Last Quarter: May 7. Lighting up : 9.1 pm to 4.53 am. High water: London Bridge, 5.40 am, 6.9m; 5.55 pm, 6.9m. Avonmouth, 10.54 am, 12.1m; 11.15 pm, 11.8m, Dover, 2.26 am, 6.1m; 2.54 pm, 6.0m. Hull, 9.53 am, 6.7m; 10.24 pm, 6.4m. Liverpool, 2.53 am, 8.6m; 3.12 pm, 8.3m. 1ft=0.3048m. im=3.288ft. If the Government was pre- leges to be closed on May 14 pared to "recant" its econ- to safeguard children and Rome meeting, page pared to "recant" its economic policies and meet union leaders in serious discussions the TUC would consider calling off its "day of action" on Wednesday week, Mr Len Murray, general secretary, said on Friday. He told delegates to the annual conference of the Wales TUC: "If there is no chance of consultation they leave us party ended one of the greatest mysteries of the past 11 years of strife in Norchern Ireland. In 1978 his family erected a tombstone over an empty grave at Derriaghy. where Mr Niedermayer, a former honorary German consul to Northern Ireland, is now buried. Our troops in to rescue some two described by the would put the lives of our troops at risk or British people at risk, by spreading it all over the world on a confidential basis, what I was going to do? Of course I would not." Thatcher profile, page 6 Pits may close: Yorkshire pits are likely to be at a standstill on May 14 after a change of Outlook for tomorrow and Wednesday: Scattered showers in England and Wales, dull and misty at times on E coasts; temp near normal in W. rather cold in E. Sea passages: S North Sea. Strait of Dover. English Channel (E1: Wind. fresh to strong, occasionally gale at first; sea rough locally. very rough at first. St. George's Channel, Irish Sea: Wind, moderate or fresh; sea slight to moderate. heart among winding engine-At the resorts Forecasts for 6 am to midnight: High pressure over Iceland and low pressure over tentral Europe will maintain a NE airstream over the British Isles. men. The colliery winders, a tradi-tionally moderate group in an otherwise militant area, had decided to ignore the TUC's Negotiators representing 470,000 teachers in England and Wales on Friday night rejected a 13 per cent pay offer from the local authorities. They 24 hours to 6 pm, May 4 Sun Rain tenin London, central S and N England, Midlands, Channel Islands: Mostly dry, sunny periods, perhaps an isolated shower in afternoon; wind NE, moderate or fresh; max temp 13" to 15" C (55" to 59"F).